

General information

Designation

Swietenia macrophylla (L)

Typical uses

Furniture; cabinetwork; interior trim; pattern making; boat construction; fancy veneers; musical instruments; paneling; turnery; carving.

Composition overview

Compositional summary

Cellulose/Hemicellulose/Lignin/12%H2O

Material family Natural

Base material Wood (tropical)

Renewable content 100 %

Composition detail (polymers and natural materials)

Wood 100 %

Price

* 3.04 - 4.88 USD/lb

Physical properties

Density 0.0166 - 0.0206 lb/in^3

Mechanical properties

Young's modulus	* 1.48	-	1.81	10^6 psi
Yield strength (elastic limit)	* 5.77	-	7.05	ksi
Tensile strength	* 9.62	-	11.8	ksi
Elongation	* 1.75	-	2.14	% strain
Compressive strength	6.11	-	7.45	ksi
Flexural modulus	1.35	-	1.65	10^6 psi
Flexural strength (modulus of rupture)	10.4	-	12.6	ksi
Shear modulus	* 0.109	-	0.135	10^6 psi
Shear strength	1.1	-	1.35	ksi
Bulk modulus	* 0.0609	-	0.0682	10^6 psi
Poisson's ratio	* 0.35	-	0.4	
Shape factor	5.3			
Hardness - Vickers	* 3.34	-	4.08	HV
Hardness - Brinell	* 6.24	-	7.63	ksi
Hardness - Janka	* 751	-	917	lbf
Fatigue strength at 10^7 cycles	* 3.1	-	3.8	ksi
Mechanical loss coefficient (tan delta)	* 0.0074	-	0.0091	
Differential shrinkage (radial)	0.11	-	0.15	%
Differential shrinkage (tangential)	0.17	-	0.22	%
Radial shrinkage (green to oven-dry)	2.7	-	3.3	%
Tangential shrinkage (green to oven-dry)	3.7	-	4.5	%
Volumetric shrinkage (green to oven-dry)	* 11	-	18	%

Impact & fracture properties

Fracture toughness * 3.28 - 4 ksi.in^0.5

Thermal properties

Work to maximum strength

0.562

0.688

ft.lbf/in^3



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Glass temperature	171	-	216	°F
Maximum service temperature	248	-	284	°F
Minimum service temperature	* -99.4	-	-9.4	°F
Thermal conductivity	* 0.133	-	0.162	BTU.ft/hr.ft^2.°F
Specific heat capacity	0.396	-	0.408	BTU/lb.°F
Thermal expansion coefficient	* 1.11	-	6.11	µstrain/°F

Electrical properties

Electrical resistivity	* 6e13	-	2e14	µohm.cm
Dielectric constant (relative permittivity)	* 5.24	-	6.4	
Dissipation factor (dielectric loss tangent)	* 0.059	-	0.072	
Dielectric strength (dielectric breakdown)	* 10.2	-	15.2	V/mil

Optical properties

Transparency Opaque

Magnetic properties

Magnetic type Non-magnetic

Bio-data

RoHS (EU) compliant grades?

Durability

Water (fresh)	Limited use
Water (salt)	Limited use
Weak acids	Limited use
Strong acids	Unacceptable
Weak alkalis	Acceptable
Strong alkalis	Unacceptable
Organic solvents	Acceptable
Oxidation at 500C	Unacceptable
UV radiation (sunlight)	Good
Flammability	Highly flammable

Primary production energy, CO2 and water

* 4.99e3	-	5.5e3	BTU/lb
* 0.574	-	0.633	lb/lb
0.00257	-	0.00284	lb/lb
0.00656	-	0.00725	lb/lb
* 1.84e4	-	2.03e4	in^3/lb
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Processing energy, CO2 footprint & water

Coarse machining energy (per unit wt removed)	* 575	-	636	BTU/lb
Coarse machining CO2 (per unit wt removed)	* 0.1	-	0.111	lb/lb
Fine machining energy (per unit wt removed)	* 3.91e3	-	4.33e3	BTU/lb
Fine machining CO2 (per unit wt removed)	* 0.683	-	0.755	lb/lb
Grinding energy (per unit wt removed)	* 7.62e3	-	8.43e3	BTU/lb
Grinding CO2 (per unit wt removed)	* 1.33	-	1.47	lb/lb

Recycling and end of life					
Recycle	×				
Recycle fraction in current supply	8.55	-	9.45	%	
Downcycle	✓				
Combust for energy recovery	~				



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Heat of combustion (net)	* 8.49e3	-	9.16e3	BTU/lb
Combustion CO2	* 1.69	-	1.78	lb/lb
Landfill	✓			
Biodegrade	✓			

Eco-indicators for principal component

Eco-indicator 95 2.99 millipoints/lb EPS value 62.7 - 69.3

Notes

Warning

All woods have properties which show variation; they depend principally on growth conditions and moisture content.

Links

ProcessUniverse

Reference

Shape