

How to Care for Myrtlewood

Our finishes are hand applied or sprayed, are safe for food consumptions and extremely durable. However, exposure to boiling liquids or automatic dishwashers will seriously effect the product. For this reason we recommend **ONLY** hand washing in warm, soapy water. Oil finishes require occasional use of mineral oil to prevent the absorption of food odors. **CAUTION:** other types of oil may contain harmful ingredients so we recommend the use of only mineral oil. The Myrtlewood Factory has developed and produces a wax called "Wood Shield". It is recommended that you occasionally treat those pieces that are used regularly for food with this wax.

The Myrtlewood Factory manufacturing facility is located five miles north of North Bend, Oregon, where it originated in 1911. We have a complete operation which begins with the careful selection of logs, moving into sawing them in our own custom built sawmill insuring that we are getting the most out of every log. We then move into controlled drying of the wood in four very large Kiln's, completing the process by designing, producing and marketing many different gift items. We also produce and market some of the best custom furniture, flooring, cabinetry, special gift items, executive gifts, and art pieces. If you can dream it and Myrtle can deliver it, we will produce it.

Every year we develop new gift ideas for your enjoyment. If you have the opportunity, visit and tour our 40,000 square foot facility and see how this gorgeous Oregon wood is shaped by our craftsmen and women. We are sure you will be pleased by this fine durable hardwood, unsurpassed for its infinite variety and beauty. It will serve you and your ancestors well over the years to come.

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Oregon myrtle trees are easy to recognize. When they grow by themselves they look like large overgrown shrubs that have been constantly pruned. When they grow in the forest and competing with other species they will take on all kinds of different shapes and sizes. The foliage is usually very round and symmetrical and appears to be as wide as high. The leaves grow to about 3" in length and are oval in shape and a dark green. A strong aromatic, camphor-like odor permeates the bark and leaves. The leaves are used in cooking sauces and teas and has the attributes of a bay leaf. Many of the pioneers of Oregon drank myrtle tea as it was believed to fight colds and flu's. In the fall and winter the Myrtle is covered with small clusters of yellow blossoms. The olive-like fruit is an unpalatable nut, which is very delicate and difficult to propagate other than where it originally lands. The shavings that come from the mill and the woodworkers are used in bedding for dogs, cats, horses etc as it will keep away fleas and bugs. The early settlers put the leaves and shavings under their beds and pillows to ward of the pesky mosquito's. Myrtle is a wonderful resource and continues to serve Oregon well.