

# CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR NEW EXTERIOR WOOD DOOR

Nothing makes a bold statement about your home quite like a wood exterior door. Here are just a few of the unique characteristics of a Rogue Valley wood door.

- Warm and inviting
- Every door is unique. No two are exactly alike.
- Vast design options.
- Many wood species to choose from.
- Wood lends itself to customization.
- Each door has a solid heavy feel.
- Doors can be painted or stained.

Just like many features in a quality home, a wood exterior door deserves special planning and care to ensure it provides a dynamic entry to your home for years to come. Here are some important guidelines we've developed.

## Protection from the elements

The protection of your wood door is a major factor in its maintenance requirements, performance and longevity. To adequately protect your wood door and extend its life, several factors must be considered.

## Overhang

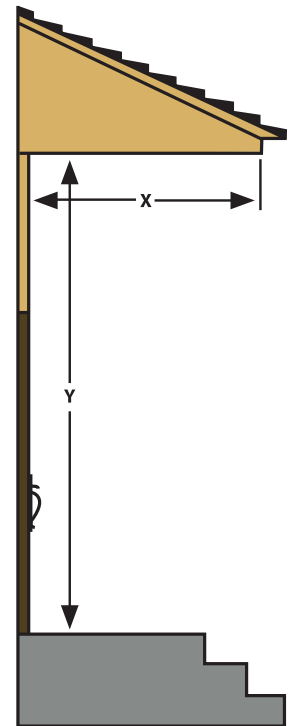
This is a must to protect your door from the elements and is required to maintain your warranty. Combine the illustration below with the chart in Climate & Exposure for the minimum requirements to create an overhang that protects your door in all climates and types of exposure.

## Climate & Exposure

What direction does my door face, N, S, E, W? A Southern exposure can take a toll on wood exterior doors because they are exposed to sunlight most of the day. Use this handy guide that factors your local climate and the direction your door faces to suggest the right dimensions for your overhang (pictured right).

**DIRECTION YOUR DOOR FACES**

Climate	North	South	East	West
Desert	$Y=1/2X$	<i>Not Recommended</i>	$Y=1/2Y$	<i>Not Recommended</i>
Ocean	$Y=1/2X$	$Y=X$	$Y=1/2X$	$Y=X$
Wet	$Y=X$	$Y=X$	$Y=X$	$Y=X$
Mild	$Y=1/2X$	$Y=X$	$Y=1/2X$	$Y=X$



## Color Choice

Dark colors attract heat. Heat breaks down the doors finish, as well as dries out the wood. A lighter color promotes greater longevity. A dark color will require more maintenance.

## Care & Maintenance

Maintaining your wood door is something you will need to do. The more protected your door is, the less maintenance you will be required to perform.

## Storm Doors

Storm doors are very popular in various parts of the US and perform important functions. But they are not recommended for wood doors due to heat buildup.

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