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## GRADE & QUALITY DESCRIPTION

Silva A & Better Clear

GRADING CRITERIA      Western Red Cedar (*Thuja plicata*) Cladding, Boards, Trim

### General Notes

Graded to BS1186-3 Part 4 Class 1.  
High-quality production - exceeds NLGA grading rules.  
Clean, consistent almost entirely knot free appearance.  
Kiln-dried to moisture content of 16-18% (+/- 2%).  
PEFC Certified.

### Wood Fibre

Fine grained, old growth wood from forests in coastal regions of British Columbia, Canada.

### Knots

#### Permitted

Though occasional small knots are allowed within the official industry grading rules\*, this product is almost entirely free of knots other than occasional pin knots.

### Sap Wood

#### Permitted

Occasional light sapwood may be present on a small percentage of boards.

### Compression Wood

#### Permitted

Occasional – unlikely to be present.

### Deformation (Warp)

#### Permitted

Boards with minor curvature and twisting, as far as proper installation is ensured. As a guide, a 10mm deviation from true is permitted on a 19 x 89 x 2440mm board. The longer the board, the greater the deviation from true is permitted.

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**Checks**

**Permitted**

Small checks permitted.

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**Splits**

**Permitted**

Short splits permitted equal in length to the width of the board.

Splits may be present in small percentage of boards.

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**Torn or Raised Grain**

**Permitted**

Light torn or raised grain permitted.

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**Machining / Handling Marks** **Permitted**

Occasional minor marks / blemishes may be present.

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**Colour Variation**

**Permitted**

Colour can vary between boards and within boards.

Typical colour range: light straw to dark reddish brown.

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This is offered as a general guide to the main characteristics likely to be encountered in any shipment of A & Better Clear material. There are other minor wood characteristics not listed which may occasionally be present but would not detract from the usability of the material.

*\*National Lumber Grades Authority (NLGA) Standard Grading Rules for Canadian Lumber*

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