

CARVING CARE

Carvings are finished with a protective coating.

Here are some simple guidelines to follow once you get your carving home.

OUTDOOR CARVINGS

1. Keep your carving's base dry: Your carving should not come in direct contact with the ground. Use bricks, pavers, stones, gravel, pressure treated blocks, etc. under the carving to allow for airflow and drainage. *
2. The sun dries out carvings and can lead to excess drying and cracking. If possible, keep your carving under some type of shade; covered porches are ideal for outside display. If your carving sees frequent sun, extra recoating will be necessary.
3. You will be the best judge to determine when to recoat the carving. Signs are when the carving no longer repels water, looks dry, or starts to discolor, etc.

MAINTENANCE COATING

The best time for recoating is during a forecast of 2-3 dry days. Prepare by cleaning dirt and debris off your carving with a scrub brush, apply a recommended (or similar) product and let dry between coats.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS:

Recoat your carving with a high quality exterior deck finish.

Sikkens Cetol Log & Siding- Natural (Benjamin Moore Paints)

Cabot's Australian Timber Oil- Natural (Lowe's, Ace Hardware)

Minwax Helmsman Spar Varnish- Satin. (Home Depot)

**Regular maintenance, a minimum of once or twice a year,
will help keep your carving looking great.**

INDOOR CARVINGS

1. Keep the carving away from a heat source: such as heat registers, fireplaces, etc.
2. Keep the carving elevated slightly with wood strips or blocks. The carvings contain moisture, so they need to have airflow under them.*
3. You may never have to recoat this carving since it is indoors: but if it starts to discolor, then recoat with recommended products.

* Some small to midsized carvings have been fitted with temporary wood spacers for air flow.

These wood blocks are fastened with brad nails and are removable/replaceable when needed.

REMEMBER

You have purchased a piece of wood.

Similar to a log home, your carving will dry over time and may develop drying checks or cracks. This is normal and can add character to your carving. If the cracks are large and located in a critical spot, repairs can be done at JMS WOOD SCULPTURE.

Contact JMS for pricing on repairs, maintenance coating or recoating.

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