

HAND-HEWN SIDING

To hew a log is to transform the naturally round log into a timber, with either two or four roughly flat surfaces to yield two-sided or four-sided hand-hewn, respectively. Before saw-mills and lumberyards were common, craftsmen used hand tools, such as broad axes and adzes, along with hard work and skill to turn logs into timbers. This arduous work left signature “adze marks” on the beams, which not only add unique character and authenticity to the product, but also a nod to the lost art of hewing by hand. Because this material was crafted by hand from locally available logs, the dimensions and species vary.

To produce hand-hewn siding, the opposing hewn faces of a two-sided hand-hewn timber are milled to two inches thick (or to the desired thickness), yielding a *hand-hewn slab*. The milled *slab* has two live-edges, which help shed water. To replicate the look of a historic cabin, chinking is applied between the exterior boards. The corner detail pictured below is achieved by milling with *full corners*.

SIDING SPECS

common dimensions	2" x 6-12"+ faces
species	mixed species or mixed hardwoods
milling options	butted corners, full corners

*custom options available—give us a call



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full corners



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butted corners



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