



Product Data Sheet

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BALSASUD® Core - Product Data Sheet

BALSASUD® Core is the finest end-grain balsa wood core material in the market, ideal for sandwich construction. It has remarkable physical properties, starting with its outstanding strength-to-weight ratios (high shear and compression strength). It is an all-natural and renewable resource coming from Ecuador. It has exceptional fatigue and impact resistance properties. And it provides phenomenal sound and thermal insulation. In addition, it is a natural fire-retardant material.

- Outstanding strength-to-weight ratios
- High chemical resistance (including styrene) and amazing bonding properties
- · Completely organic, sustainable and renewable resource
- BALSASUD® Core SG is approved by DNV GL and Lloyd's Register

PROCESSING

- Prepreg processing (up to 180°C or 355°F)
- Resin infusion / injection (VARTM / RTM)
- Adhesive bonding
- Vacuum infusion
- Hand Lay-up and Spray-up
- Compression molding (GMT, SMC)





APPLICATIONS

Marine: Hulls, Decks, Superstructures, Bulkheads, Attachment points, Interiors, Engine beds, Flooring, Molds, Topsides and Stringers

Wind Energy: Rotor blades, nacelle covers and spinners

Aerospace: Aircraft structures, floor panels, structural panels, air cargo containers, interior partitions and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)

Transportation: Primary Body Structure, Interior Structure, Sidewalls, Floors, Ceilings and Panels

Defense: Naval vessels and deckhouses, panel structures, cargo pallets, containers, aircraft structures, Shelters and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)

Industrial: Tub & Shower, Tooling, Industrial tanks, Shelters, Construction panels (soundproofing, insulation and decoration), Sports equipment: surfboards, snowboards, skis and wakeboards

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Mechanical Properties for BALSASUD® Core					
TEST STANDARDS	Units (Imperial)	Ultra Lite (UL)	Standard Grade (SG)	Heavy Weight (HW)	
Density per ASTM C-271	Lbs. / cu.ft	6.5	9.5	17.5	
Compressive Strength per ASTM C-365	psi	947	1547.55	3136	
Compressive Modulus per ASTM C-365	ksi	295.36	340.72	635.99	
Tensile Strength per ASTM C-297	psi	1088	2087.09	2618	
Tensile Modulus per ASTM C-297	ksi	324.68	518.36	825.55	
Shear Strength per ASTM C-273	psi	272	394.50	808	
Shear Modulus per ASTM C-273	ksi	15.84	27.01	52.79	
Thermal Conductivity at 24°C per ASTM C-177	BTU.in/ft2.hr.°F	0.331	0.460	0.581	
Sheet Length	inches	48	48	48	
Sheet Width	inches	24	24	24	
Sheet Thickness	inches	from 1/4 to 3	from 1/4 to 3	from 1/4 to 3	

Nominal value is an average value of a mechanical property at a nominal density. Tests are perpendicular to the plane.

Continuous operating temperature range:	-349.6° F to +325.4° F		
Moisture content:	from 6% to 12%		
Density Tolerance:	+ / - 10%		

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Mechanical Properties for BALSASUD® Core					
TEST STANDARDS	Units (Metric)	Ultra Lite (UL)	Standard Grade (SG)	Heavy Weight (HW)	
Density per ASTM C-271	Kg. / M3	100	152,18	280	
Compressive Strength per ASTM C-365	MPa	6,53	10,67	21,62	
Compressive Modulus per ASTM C-365	MPa	2036	2349,2	4385.00	
Tensile Strength per ASTM C-297	MPa	7,50	14,39	18,05	
Tensile Modulus per ASTM C-297	MPa	2238	3574	5692	
Shear Strength per ASTM C-273	MPa	1,88	2,72	5,57	
Shear Modulus per ASTM C-273	MPa	110	186,19	364	
Thermal Conductivity at 24°C per ASTM C-177	W/m*K	0,048	0,066	0,084	
Sheet Length	mm	1220	1220	1220	
Sheet Width	mm	610	610	610	
Sheet Thickness	mm	from 6,35 to 76,20	from 6,35 to 76,20	from 6,35 to 76,20	

Nominal value is an average value of a mechanical property at a nominal density. Tests are perpendicular to the plane.

Continuous operating temperature range:	-212° C to +163° C		
Moisture content:	from 6% to 12%		
Density Tolerance:	+ / - 10%		

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