

**Helpful Links  
To Wood Articles and  
Identification Sites**

## Wood Articles

- [How Wood is Made](#)  
An explanation of how wood grows in easy to understand layman's terms
- [Structure of Wood](#)  
A good explanation of the structure of wood by two scientists from the Forest Products Laboratory
- [Wood ID Tennessee](#)  
A concise explanation of wood identification with a short guide to the characteristics of some of our common woods
- [Wood Identification – Michigan University](#)  
An explanation of wood identification with a short key to identifying common woods

## Websites for wood identification

- Wood-database.com      [www.wood-database.com](http://www.wood-database.com)
- Hobbit House <http://hobbitouseinc.com/personal/woodpics/>  
Good website for identification - Not fancy but a lot of info and pictures.

### Wood Identification Services

- USDA Forest Products Lab    Free to US Citizen, Limit of 3 samples per year
  - <https://research.fs.usda.gov/fpl/identification>
- [Alden Identification Service](#)    <https://wood-identification.com/>
  - A professional paid service (fees and procedures on website)