

### Your New Heritage Solid Oak Ledged Door

Thankyou for purchasing a Heritage solid oak ledged door. Your door has been carefully manufactured at our Sheffield factory, and is the best quality oak ledged door on the market today. Please follow the instructions below carefully to ensure a lifetime's trouble free service from your new door.

### Storing your Door and Avoiding Issues With Moisture Expansion

Oak, like any timber, will react to significant changes in the humidity of the environment that it is stored in, particularly prior to having a surface finish applied. Oak will expand across its width and thickness, (but not its length), as it takes on moisture. Your door has been manufactured from carefully kiln dried oak with a moisture content in the region of 8-10% which is ideal for use in normal indoor environments, however please read the information below.

To avoid problems the doors must be stored away from building works that can generate an increased humidity such as plastering or decorating work, particularly in their unfinished state. Failure to follow this step can lead to the door taking on moisture which will cause swelling. Your door has been designed with built in expansion gaps to allow expansion of the timber without causing bowing, but these only provide so much protection and once gone any further expansion of the door will almost certainly lead to bowing.

Claims for twisting, bowing, shrinking or swelling that are moisture related whilst the doors are not sealed or stored correctly will be rejected. Doors should always be stored flat, on a level surface and clear of the floor on at least 3 level full width bearers.

### Handling your Door

Your door has been supplied shrinkwrapped and with corner protection, however it is very heavy and easy to damage if not handled correctly. The door should never be dragged across other doors or surfaces. Light surface marks can be easily sanded out.

### Finishing your Door

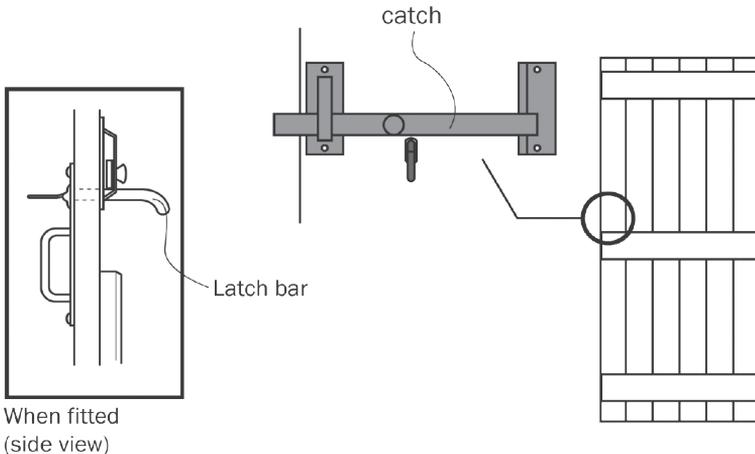
Please check the door prior to any work commencing, installation of the door constitutes acceptance of aesthetic appearance. Rustic grade door s will contain knots, and the occasional small surface split, small hole and other feature. Where a clearer grade door is required, please enquire about Select Knots or Prime grade doors.

Doors can be finished with Danish oil, waxes, varnishes or hardwax finishes such as those supplied by Osmo or Treatex. The manufacturer's instruction should be followed, however the door should never be hung until at least one full coat is applied to all surface including the underside. Failure to apply surface finish can lead to bowing over a period of time as excessive moisture variations can occur. Claims for bowing where there the door has not been properly finished will not be accepted. If you prefer we can prefinish your door for you. See page 2 or [www.theheritagecollection.co.uk](http://www.theheritagecollection.co.uk) for details of finishes available.

### Installing your Door

Large 18"/450mm strap hinges and "Suffolk" or "thumblatches" are the best products to use on a ledged door.

Heritage supplies door hardware kits, specially designed to take the weight of a solid oak door, please enquire with your stockist for details.



Hinges should always be installed over the ledges, with latches installed as per the diagram opposite.

Where a braced look is required, a separate bracing pack is available to add to your door. These are supplied overlength so that you can trim to your desired orientation and glue and pin to the door on site.

When fitted  
(side view)

### Finishes Available for your Door

Below are the current finishes we offer for your new solid oak ledged door. One benefit of a factory application is that the components are individually finished prior to the door being assembled. This ensures the best possible protection for your new doors. For more information download our product brochure or go online at [www.theheritagecollection.co.uk](http://www.theheritagecollection.co.uk)

Natural Unfinished



Traditional Clear



Shades - Extra White



Shades - Old Grey



Shades - Clouds



Shades - Castle



Shades - Cherry Red



Shades - English Brown



Shades - Smoked Oak



Shades - Wenge



Shades - Chocolat



Aged Oak - Caramel



Aged Oak - English Brown



Aged Oak - English Red



Aged Oak - Weathered Oak



Aged Oak - White



Aged Oak - Baro



Aged Oak - Cottage



Aged Oak - Burned Oak



Aged Oak - Double Smoked



#### We recommend...

Store your door carefully, incorrect storage can lead to damage  
Use suitably heavy duty ironmongery as these doors are extremely heavy

It is vital that you properly finish the doors prior to installation. This includes the top and underside where the end grain is particular susceptible to moisture ingress.

#### Please DO NOT...

Do not use abrasive cleaning agents  
Use only quality plated or stainless screws. Steel coming into contact with oak will cause a dark staining