



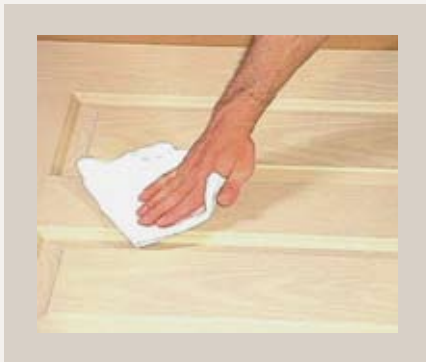
MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Oil-Based Wood Stain
- Exterior Polyurethane top coat with U.V. inhibitors
- Hand-held squeegee
- Two 2" sponge or China bristle brushes
- One 3" soft China bristle brush for feathering
- One 4" China brush for polyurethane application
- Absorbent towels or cloths
- Drop cloth

For best results, use a high-quality oil-based stains with heavy body and high pigmentation. We recommend stains manufactured by Zar®. Because a garage door facing accepts stain differently than wood, you may have to use a different stain on the door than the one used for the wood molding and frame.

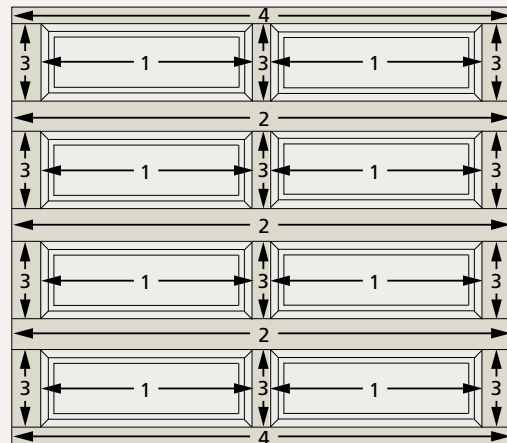
STEP 1

Lay the garage door flat on padded saw horses. Be sure to avoid finishing in full sunlight. To protect your work area use a drop cloth or newspapers. First, remove all hardware. In preparation for staining, very lightly sand the door with 220 grit sandpaper. Then remove all sanding dust with an air vacuum and tack cloth. Greasy stains can be removed with a cloth that has been dampened with denatured alcohol. Any places that have been rubbed or scratched through the primer need to be reprimed.



When you apply the stain, follow the diagram below. The numbers correspond to the order in which you should work.

1. Start with the panels.
2. Work on the vertical mullions between the panels.
3. Then work on the horizontal rails.
4. Finish up with the vertical stiles.
5. Finally, stain the door edges. Follow the same procedure when you apply the clear finish.



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STEP 2

Start with the panels. Apply the stain with a foam or China bristle brush in the direction of the wood graining.



Remove any excess stain from around the panels.

Use a squeegee to remove the excess and force the stain down into the embossed wood graining.



A

A. Start with the sticking profile around the panels.



B

B. Then proceed to the panel raise. You should remove any excess stain in the corners with a dry China bristle brush.



C

C. The last step is to squeegee the face of the panel.

STEP 3

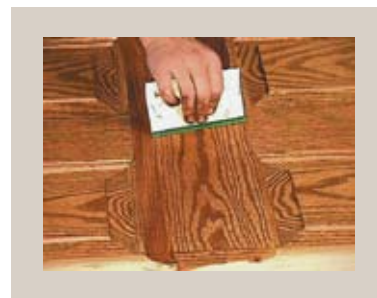
With the panels done, you need to work out to the mullions. These are the vertical boards between the panels. Apply the stain with a foam or China brush in the direction of the wood graining.

Use a squeegee to remove the excess and force the stain down into the embossed wood graining. Follow the graining pattern.



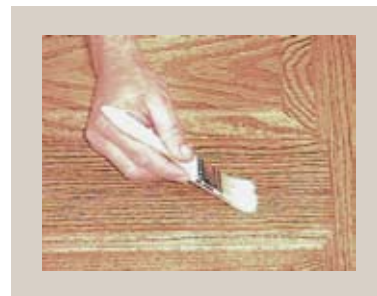
STEP 4

Now move to the horizontal rails. Follow the same procedure of applying the stain and removing the excess stain with the squeegee.



STEP 5

Follow the same procedure of applying the stain and removing the excess with the squeegee to the outer stiles.



Use a dry, clean brush to feather out any streaks, lap marks or excess stain.

STEP 6

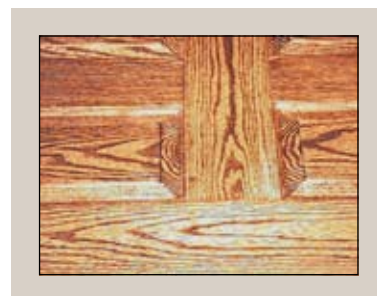
Let the stain air dry at 65°F or warmer.

Follow the same procedure (Steps 1 through 6) for staining the second side of the garage door.

STEP 7

Apply an exterior grade polyurethane that contains U.V. inhibitors. Apply the number of coats recommended by the polyurethane manufacturer.

When the door is completed, all six sides must be coated.



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