



Makers of Fine Furniture



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## Sustainable Practices

**DCi places great importance on conducting business in an environmentally and socially responsible way.** *DCi is a member of Smartwood and has obtained FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) Certification in order to market products as FSC Certified.*

*Please consult ([www.rainforestalliance.org/programs/forestry/smartwood/faq.html](http://www.rainforestalliance.org/programs/forestry/smartwood/faq.html)) For organizations that own standing hardwood timber; DCi can provide a “chain of custody” for logs harvested from the customer’s property. These logs can be delivered to our sawmill, dried in our kilns, manufactured and delivered back to the customer as completed furniture.*

- **Lumber:** We have a strong commitment to maintaining environmentally friendly practices. Our policies bar the use of all rain forest species and ensure that we do not purchase illegally harvested wood.
- **Finish:** Our finishing process emits **Zero VOC’s** and is ahead of EPA Standards. VOC’s are chemicals emitted as gases from certain solids or liquids. They include a variety of chemicals, some of which may have short and long-term adverse health effects.
- **No Wood Waste:** DCi’s vertical integration and high yield rough mill allow us to maximize the use of all of our wood. We use left over hardwood to build our internal furniture components rather than buying Poplar or other species. Wood that cannot be used in furniture construction is recycled back into our process to make steam as described below.
- **Energy Conservation:** All of the waste by-products of our manufacturing processes are used to make steam and/or electricity for our factory. DCi uses the steam to dry lumber in our kilns and to heat our factory. When our wood boiler is in use, the factory does not consume any gas or oil (even during cold New Hampshire winters). **By using a wood boiler to run our kilns and heat our factory and offices, we are saving an average of 68 gallons of oil an hour or over 200,000 gallons of oil per year!**
- **Salvaged Materials:** 100% of the steel used for our bed rails and springs is made from salvaged railroad track.
- **Recycled Content:** Several DCI product lines can be ordered with recycled content. The use of finger jointing technology in panel construction allows DCI to supply a high quality solid wood product that uses wood ordinarily a by product of the manufacturing operation.
- **Air Quality in our Factories:** Major capital expenditures have been made on the following; a dust collection system to ensure plant air quality, 90% reduction in airborne finishing materials and more efficient collection of those materials, elimination of Urea Formaldehyde from glue in solid wood panels.