**Ardera:** Extremely durable two-coat finish for exterior vertical and horizontal surfaces where a medium lustre full finish is desired. Exceptional performance on most substrates including Acetylated, thermally modified wood substrates, dry wood, metal or composites. Apply to adequately pigmented undercoat such as Foundation or Eos.

## FEATURES

- · Environmentally friendly
- Tremendous adhesion
- High solids
- Glass like premium finish
- Tough and durable
- Lasting color
- Exceptionally UV resistant and stable
- Water repellent

IMPORTANT

Product Data Sheets are based on "ideal" work conditions. Due to wood variability and varying environmental conditions, it is strongly recommended that the end-user needs to determine that the application conditions, coating product system, and techniques are suitable to reach the desired results. Please see Conditions of Sale.

## APPLICATIONS

- Outdoor furniture
- Millwork
- Wood and fiber glass windows and doors
- · Above ground horizontal and vertical surfaces
- Wood, metal or composites

## COLORS

Available in the complete standard Ardera and Eos color offerings as well as architectural custom colors. Acetylated and thermally modified wood substrates should use standard Ardera and Eos colors. When requesting custom architectural colors or tones, be sure to specify that it's for Acetylated or thermally modified wood substrates.

## TINTABLE BASES

Sansin Ardera is available in Clear, Naturals, Translucents, Saturated and Ultra Saturated formulas. Tintable bases are available to Colorant Dealers. Use Ardera 0-Base to dilute colors up for 50% when desired. For thermally modified wood use full strength formulas only.

## FORMULAS

Create almost any color and clarity with Ardera by combining it with appropriate undercoat. For bare wood, always use an adequately pigmented undercoat such as Foundation or Eos. When striving for a clear finish we suggest doubling the color strength of Naturals in the undercoat or, when protection must appear invisible select a Sansin Foundation formula for the first coat. Use Ardera Naturals Topcoat as a universal clear-like finish to adequately pigmented under coats or, as a maintenance application to many existing wood toned finishes. Where a higher gloss or lower lustre sheen is required consider Ardera Optimum Clear. To maintain clarity Optimum Clear Gloss should be used as the intermediate coat when using Low or Extra Low Lustre as the final coat.

## CHARACTERISTICS

- Form and Appearance......Milky Liquid
- Appearance on wood......Satin
- Coloring......Standard

- Low VOC
- · Highlights surface character
- Apply as a finish or maintenance coat
- to many water-based and alkyd finishes

Odor	Low
Specific Gravity (g/cm3)	1.00-1.03
Density (lbs/gal)	8.3-8.4
• pH	8.8
Viscosity, #2 Zahn Cup	
Reduce as necessary with up to 5% water	
Solvents	Low
Solid Content	40% +/-1%
Freezing Point	1°C (31°F)
Diluent	Water
Sag resistance	6 mil wet min.
Clean-up	Soap & Water
• Drying Time (To touch) @ 20°C (68°F)	
Drying Time (Between applications) @20°C (	(68°F)4 hours
Wet Film Thickness	5-6 Wet Mils/US gal
Coverage	
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- Dry time effected by humidity and temperature
- VOC (g/L).....Actual 70/Regulatory 164

## PACKAGING

Quarts, Gallons, and 5-Gallon pails.

PREPARATION

# PREPARATION IS KEY TO A SUCCESSFUL PROJECT



SAND ENTIRE SURFACE

BRUSH USING A GOOD QUALITY DUAL PURPOSE BRUSH

- Inspect wood surfaces for defects and make any necessary repairs.
- Use Sansin cleaner and/or wash the entire surface with a minimum 3000 PSI pressure washer using clean water.
- Sand the surface well using 60-80 grit paper and random orbital sander.
- Follow by power washing, vacuuming or using compressed air for proper cleaning. Surface must be clean, free from dust, dirt, grease, wax or any existing coatings.

# APPLICATION METHODS

- For previously coated surfaces apply a small test area to ensure proper drying, adhesion and durability.
- Brush using a good quality dual purpose brush.
- Spray using hand or airless equipment with a .011-.013 tip. Set pressure to ensure desirable spray pattern.
- Avoid high sheer pumps.



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- For a gloss finish, apply Ardera Optimum Clear mixed 90:10 with the base color for the final coat.
- If a low lustre sheen is required, use as final coat only. Use gloss for intermediate coats.

#### WORKING PROCEDURE

- For transparent exposed surfaces use a penetrating first coat like EOS or KP12W to improve moisture and UV protection while optimizing esthetics.
- Stir well before and during application.
- Spray application is preferred using air assist or airless spray equipment.
- · Apply a manageable film thickness.
- Allow to dry.
- Consider finish sanding for a smooth finish and remove dust.
- Apply a second and third coat if necessary. Follow the above procedures. Ensure an adequate dry film thickness of 3 mils for optimum protection.
- Do not overwork Ardera as it is fast drying.
- Do not apply in heat of day or direct sun.
- Do not apply on wood that is warm to touch.
- Do not apply if rain is expected or in near freezing temperatures.

# MAINTENANCE

Horizontal and vertical services require maintenance every 4-5 years. Maintenance is necessary when the surface shows signs of wear, such as fading or erosion. Low lustre finishes require more frequent maintenance than satin or high lustre finishes. Maintaining your wood on a regular basis will ensure long-lasting color retention, exceptional dimensional stabilization and effective water repellency. Periodically, clean the wood surface with a power washer or Sansin Multi-Wash to remove dirt and residue. How frequently maintenance coats are required will depend on the quality of prior preparation, quality of application and exposure levels. If fading or erosion is evident, prepare wood by using a power washer to lightly clean the wood surface; or use Sansin Multi-Wash. Then re-apply one maintenance coat of Sansin Ardera according to instructions. Exposure, workmanship and color will affect the performance of the coating.

#### STORAGE

Shelf life when stored in ideal conditions is 18 months. Store at temperatures of between  $+10^{\circ}$ C and  $+30^{\circ}$ C ( $50^{\circ}$ F and  $86^{\circ}$ F). Keep containers tightly closed.

SAFETY

See Material Safety Data Sheet.

### WARNING TO USERS

Keep out of reach of children, if swallowed immediately drink two glasses of milk or warm water. Do not induce vomiting. Call physician immediately. Avoid contact with skin or eyes; flush with soap and water. Avoid breathing of vapor or mist. The information contained in this document is given in good faith based on our current knowledge. The use of the product is beyond the control of The Sansin Corporation, and no guarantees, expressed or implied, are made as to the result to be obtained if not used in accordance with the published Directions for Use. The Sansin Corporation does not assume any legal responsibility for use or reliance on same. This information must on no account be used as a substitute for necessary field tests, which alone can ensure that the product is suitable for the expected use. Before using any product, read its label.

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