

### 2023 FURNITURE GUIDE **WWW.NAMUBUILDER.CA**

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# DINING TABLE SIZES



### WHICH TABLE SIZE IS BEST FOR ME?

AS WITH MOST OTHER PIECES OF FURNITURE, DINING ROOM TABLES COME IN VARIOUS SIZES. BUT WHAT SIZE DINING TABLE IS PERFECT FOR YOUR SPACE?

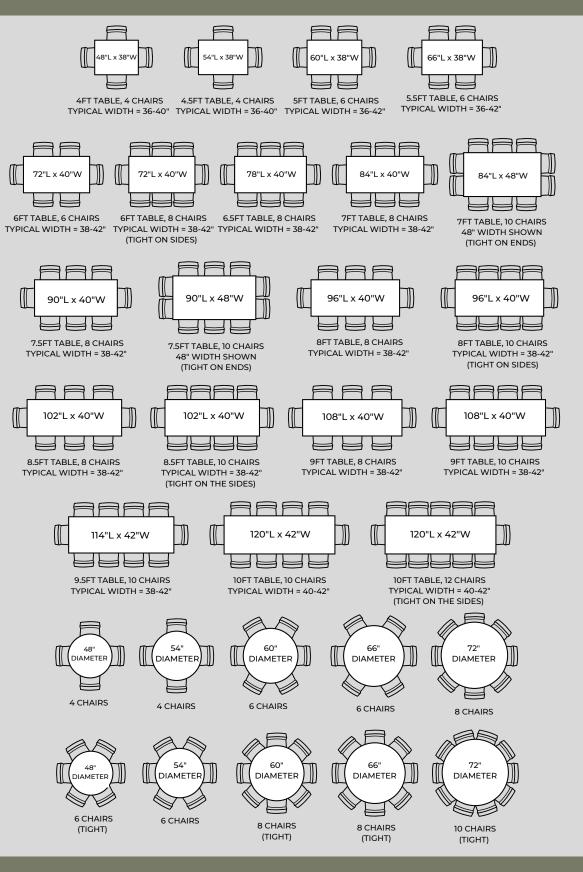
THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION ABOVE LARGELY DEPENDS ON YOUR NEEDS AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE YOU'D LIKE TO ACCOMMODATE.

FOR MORE FORMAL DINING OR DINNER PARTIES, YOU MIGHT LOOK FOR A 6 OR 8 PERSON DINING TABLE. HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE JUST LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR PARTNER TO SHARE AN EVENING MEAL, A 4 SEATER SQUARE OR ROUND TABLE SHOULD GIVE PLENTY OF ROOM.

SOME THINGS TO KEEP NOTE OF ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF BOTH CIRCULAR AND RECTANGULAR TABLES. CIRCULAR TABLES DO NOT HAVE CORNERS,
THEREFORE THEY GENERALLY HAVE A SMALLER FOOTPRINT WHICH MAKES THEM A GREAT CHOICE FOR SMALLER SPACES. RECTANGULAR TABLES HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF BEING PLACED AGAINST A WALL TO SAVE SPACE. THEN CAN EASILY BE PULLED OUT TO ACCOMMODATE EXTRA GUESTS.

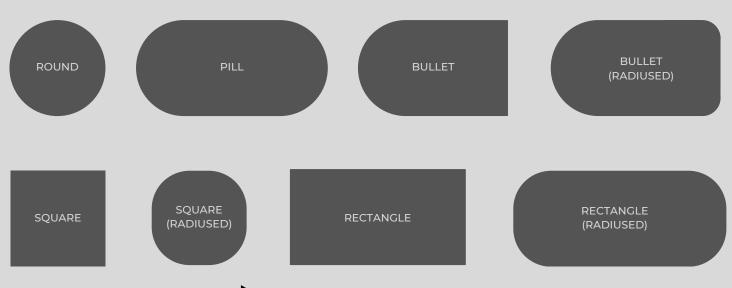
TO HELP YOU FIND THE RIGHT DINING TABLE FOR YOUR SPACE, WE HAVE DISPLAYED THE STANDARD DINING TABLE SIZES IN BOTH RECTANGULAR AND ROUND PROFILES - 2 VERY POPULAR TABLE PROFILES.

IF YOU'RE STILL UNSURE ABOUT WHAT SIZE IS BEST FOR YOU, DONT HESITATE TO REACH OUT TO US - WE ARE HERE TO HELP.





# TABLE SHAPES & HEIGHTS







DINING TABLES & OFFICE TABLES – 30"

COUNTER HEIGHT TABLES – 36"

BAR HEIGHT/ STANDING TABLES – 42"

CONSOLE TABLES (ENTRY, FOYER, SOFA TABLES) – 29-33"

COFFE TABLES - 16-18"

SIDE/END TABLES - 13-17"

#### WHICH TABLE SHAPE IS BEST FOR ME?

THERE ARE VERY MANY CHOICES AVAILABLE IN REGARD TO TABLE SHAPES & PROFILES. HOWEVER, THE 3 MOST COMMON TABLE SHAPES ARE RECTANGULAR, SQUARE AND ROUND.

RECTANGULAR TABLES ARE GREAT AS THEY CAN SEAT MANY GUESTS FOR LARGE-SCALE ENTERTAINING. THE LINEAR SHAPE ALLOWS FOR AMPLE ROOM TO WALK AROUND THE TABLE. IDEALLY, RECTANGULAR TABLES SHOULD BE 36" TO 46" WIDE TO ENSURE ENOUGH ROOM FOR PLACE SETTINGS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE TABLE. ONE THING TO KEEP IN MIND IS THAT A LONG TABLE CAN BE TOO BIG FOR TIGHT SPACES, ESPECIALLY ONCE YOU FACTOR IN SEATING. HOWEVER, THAT DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN'T MAKE IT WORK. BY SIMPLY IMPLEMENTING LONG BENCHES IN PLACE OF CHAIRS, YOU CAN CREATE MORE SPACE WHEN SAID BENCHES ARE PUSHED UNDER THE TABLE WHEN NOT IN USE.

SQUARE TABLES ARE IDEAL FOR MORE COMPACT, SQUARE-SHAPED ROOMS. THEY ARE GREAT TO HAVE WHEN YOU ARE ONLY SEATING A GROUP OF FOUR PEOPLE OR LESS. ONE OF THE GREAT BENEFITS OF A TABLE THIS SHAPE IS THE INTIMACY IT PROVIDES AS IT PLACES EVERYONE AT THE TABLE WITHIN A CLOSE CONVERSATIONAL DISTANCE FROM ONE ANOTHER.

ROUND TABLES ARE GREAT FOR SMALLER GATHERINGS AND LOOK GREAT IN ANY SHAPED ROOM. ALSO, ROUND TABLES HAVE A FEW UNIQUE TRAITS: THEY ALLOW EVERYONE AT THE TABLE TO EASILY SEE ONE ANOTHER, THEY PROMOTE EASY CONVERSATION, AND THERE IS NO HEAD OF THE TABLE WHICH ALLOWS A MORE CASUAL EXPERIENCE. WITH THAT BEING SAID, ROUND TABLES ARE NOT THE MOST IDEAL FOR LARGE GROUPS, THAT IS UNLESS IT IS A VERY LARGE ROUND TABLE WITH AMPLE LEGROOM. ANOTHER POINT TO KEEP IN MIND IS THAT THESE LARGE ROUND TABLES CAN MAKE PEOPLE AT THE TABLE FEEL FAR AWAY FROM EACH OTHER.

IF YOU'RE STILL UNDECIDED ABOUT WHAT SHAPE AND SIZE WORKS BEST FOR YOU, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US! WE'D LOVE TO ASSIST ANYWHERE WE CAN IN YOUR FURNITURE MAKING JOURNEY.



## WOOD SPECIES





#### WHITE OAK

WHITE OAK IS THE MOST POPULAR WOOD SPECIES WHEN IN COMES TO CRAFTING FURNITURE. IT IS EXTREMELY DURABLE, STRONG, AND LOOKS JUST AS GOOD STAINED AS IT DOES WITH A NATURAL CLEAR FINISH. THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT SPECIES OF OAK (ALL COMING IN DIFFRENT HUES AND TONES), BUT MOST PRIMARILY WORK WITH WHITE OAK, WHICH HAS A DISTINCT GRAIN PATTERN THAT HAS A DEEP GOLDEN TONE. IT IS AS VERSATILE AS IT IS STRONG - USED HEAVILY IN BOTH MODERN AND TRADITIONAL FURNITURE DESIGN. LIKE ALL NATURAL WOODS, OAK CAN EXPAND AND CONTRACT WITH SHIFTS IN HUMIDITY, AND CAN SLIGHTLY CHANGE IN COLOR OVER TIME WITH EXPOSURE TO AIR AND LIGHT. WHITE OAK HAS A JANKA RATING OF 1,360LBF





#### WALNUT

WALNUT IS TRULY ABOUT AS TIMELESS AS IT GETS. IT'S USED IN BOTH MODERN AND TRADITIONAL FURNITURE STYLES, AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. ALTHOUGH WALNUT IS SLIGHTLY SOFTER THAN OAK, MAPLE AND ASH, IT STILL CONTINUES TO BE A FAVOURITE AMONGST FURNITURE BUYERS AND WOODWORKERS. IT'S A BEAUTIFUL WOOD KNOWN FOR ITS VERY RICH, CHOCOLATE COLOUR WITH BOTH HONEY AND BROWN STREAKS THAT ENHANCE ITS UNIQUE GRAIN PATTERNS. WALNUT IS THE GO-TO WOOD SPECIES WHEN AIMING TO ACHIEVE A MORE MASCULINE SPACE AS IT'S DEEP BROWN HUES EASILY COMPLIMENT DARKER TONED FABRICS AND PAINT FINISHES. ALONG WITH ALL OTHER NATURAL WOODS, WALNUT CAN EXPAND AND CONTRACT WITH SHIFTS IN HUMIDITY, AND CAN SLIGHTLY CHANGE IN COLOUR OVER TIME WITH EXPOSURE TO AIR AND LIGHT. WALNUT HAS A JANKA RATING OF 1,010LBF





#### HARD MAPLE

MAPLE IS INCREDIBLY STRONG, EXTREMELY DURABLE, LOOKS GREAT, AND STAINS NICELY. WOODWORKERS AND FURNITURE AFICIONADOS GRAVITATE TOWARDS MAPLE FOR ITS LIGHT & CREAMY COLOUR, SMOOTH GRAIN PATTERN AND IMPRESSIVE DURABILITY. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE DOZENS OF SPECIES OF MAPLE TREES AROUND THE GLOBE, THE SPECIES MOST COMMON AMONG NORTH AMERICAN WOODWORKERS IS HARD MAPLE (AKA SUGAR/ROCK MAPLE. ALONG WITH ALL OTHER NATURAL WOODS, HARD MAPLE CAN EXPAND AND CONTRACT WITH SHIFTS IN HUMIDITY, AND CAN SLIGHTLY CHANGE IN COLOUR OVER TIME WITH EXPOSURE TO AIR AND LIGHT. HARD MAPLE HAS A JANKA RATING OF 1,450LBF.





#### **ASH**

ASH, ALONG WITH OAK AND MAPLE, IS ONE OF THE MOST COMMONLY USED WOODS IN NORTH AMERICA. IT IS EXTREMELY DURABLE AND SHOCK RESISTANT, MAKING IT THE PRIMARY WOOD SPECIES USED FOR BASEBALL BATS AND TOOL HANDLES. IT ALSO MAKES FOR VERY STRONG, DURABLE AND ATTRACTIVE FURNITURE. COMBINED WITH ITS LIGHT COLOR, SMOOTH GRAIN (SIMILAR TO THAT OF OAK) AND LIGHT WEIGHT, IT'S NO WONDER ASH HAS AN EXTENSIVE HISTORY OF USE IN MANY FURNITURE ENVIRONMENTS - FROM FINE FURNITURE TO HIGH-TRAFFIC RESTAURANTS AND VENUES. ASH, LIKE ALL NATURAL WOODS, CAN EXPAND AND CONTRACT WITH SHIFTS IN HUMIDITY, AND CAN SLIGHTLY CHANGE COLOUR OVER TIME WITH EXPOSURE TO AIR AND LIGHT. ASH HAS A JANKA RATING OF 1,320LBF.





#### **CHERRY**

CHERRY WOOD, ALTHOUGH THE SOFTEST OF ALL SPECIES LISTED HERE, IS STILL A HIGHLY REGARDED FURNITURE HARDWOOD IN NORTH AMERICA. THIS WOOD SPECIES HAS A SMOOTH GRAIN, WITH A REDDISH BROWN TONE. CHERRY IS WELL KNOWN TO WOODWORKERS AND FURNITURE MAKERS FOR ITS NATURAL COLOUR AND AGING PROCESS. CHERRY WILL START OUT A LIGHT PINK AND WILL DARKEN OVER TIME INTO A RICH REDDISH HUE WITH A UNIQUE PATINA. ALONG WITH ALL OTHER NATURAL WOODS, CHERRY CAN EXPAND AND CONTRACT WITH SHIFTS IN HUMIDITY OVER TIME WITH EXPOSURE TO AIR AND LIGHT. CHERRY HAS A JANKA RATING OF 995LBF.

\*\*THE JANKA TEST MEASURES THE DENTING AND WEAR RESISTANCE OF ALL WOOD SPECIES - THE HIGHER THE LBF (POUND PER SQUARE FOOT), THE MORE RESISTANT \*\*



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