

UNDERSTANDING EXPOSURE TYPES

PRODUCT RECOMMENDATION GUIDE

The choices you face when selecting the perfect exterior door unit for your home or building project can be daunting at first. Not all doors are appropriate for all exposure types, and determining yours is an important step towards selecting a door unit that will last.



FULLY PROTECTED DOORWAY

PRODUCT RECOMMENDATIONS

Therma-Tru® Fiberglass Doors

- Classic-Craft® ✓ ★
- Fiber-Classic® ✓
- Smooth-Star® / Pulse® ✓

Therma-Tru® Steel Doors

- Profiles™ ✓
- Traditions ✓

Simpson® Wood Doors

- Nantucket® Collection (Solid Wood) ✓ ★
- Metropolitan™ Collection (Solid Wood) ✓
- WaterBarrier® Technology ✓
- Performance Series® (Veneered) ✓

Wood Doors

- Standard Construction ✓

Frames

- Solid Wood ✓ ★
- OnGuard™ ✓ ★
- Ultra Jamb ✓
- FrameSaver™ ✓
- Veneered ✓
- Finger Joint Primed ✓

Hardware

- Multipoint Lock ✓ ★
- Mortise Lock ✓
- Standard Residential ✓

★ The best ✓ Recommended ✗ Not recommended



The Fully Protected Doorway provides complete protection from the elements, allowing you to choose from the widest selection of products.

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PARTIALLY PROTECTED DOORWAY

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- Fiber-Classic® ✓
- Smooth-Star® / Pulse® ✓

Therma-Tru® Steel Doors

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- Traditions ✓

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- Nantucket® Collection (Solid Wood) ✓★
- Metropolitan™ Collection (Solid Wood) ✓
- WaterBarrier® Technology ✓
- Performance Series® (Veneered) ✓

Wood Doors

- Standard Construction ✗

Frames

- Solid Wood ✓★
- OnGuard™ ✓★
- Ultra Jamb ✓
- FrameSaver™ ✓
- Veneered ✗
- Finger Joint Primed ✗

Hardware

- Multipoint Lock ✓★
- Mortise Lock ✓
- Standard Residential ✓

★ The best ✓ Recommended ✗ Not recommended



Not all door units are built for durability. You should use caution when choosing a door unit for a Partially Protected Doorway.



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Classic-Craft®	✓ ★
Fiber-Classic®	✓
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Profiles™	✗
Traditions	✗

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Nantucket® Collection (Solid Wood)	✓ ★
Metropolitan™ Collection (Solid Wood)	✓
WaterBarrier® Technology	✓
Performance Series® (Veneered)	✗

Wood Doors

Standard Construction	✗
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Frames

Solid Wood	✓ ★
OnGuard™	✓ ★
Ultra Jamb	✓
FrameSaver™	✗
Veneered	✗
Finger Joint Primed	✗

Hardware

Multipoint Lock	✓ ★
Mortise Lock	✓
Standard Residential	✓

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WaterBarrier® Technology	✓
Performance® Series (Veneered)	✓

Wood Doors

Standard Construction	✓
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Frames

Solid Wood	✓ ★
OnGuard™	✓ ★
Ultra Jamb	✓
FrameSaver™	✓
Veneered	✓
Finger Joint Primed	✓

Hardware

Multipoint Lock	✓ ★
Mortise Lock	✓
Standard Residential	✓

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WaterBarrier® Technology	✓
Performance® Series (Veneered)	✓

Wood Doors

Standard Construction	✗
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Frames

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OnGuard™	✓ ★
Ultra Jamb	✓
FrameSaver™	✓
Veneered	✗
Finger Joint Primed	✗

Hardware

Multipoint Lock	✓ ★
Mortise Lock	✓
Standard Residential	✓

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WaterBarrier® Technology	✓
Performance® Series (Veneered)	✗

Wood Doors

Standard Construction	✗
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Hardware

Multipoint Lock	✓ ★
Mortise Lock	✓
Standard Residential	✓

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