# What you can expect from Cumaru hardwood:



#### The benefits of Cumaru hardwood:

The POC products are made of Cumaru hardwood. Cumaru is a South-American hardwood that is perfectly suited for outdoor furniture. The use of hardwood has many benefits. Hardwood is warm in winter and cool in summer. Moreover, the wood has a lovely warm, natural look and does not require maintenance. Every board has a unique look and expresses itself differently under the weather conditions to which it is exposed.

## Durability and sustainability:

Cumaru hardwood is a durability class 1 wood, which means it is highly durable. Cumaru has a lifespan of more than 25 years. Our Cumaru hardwood is FSC 100% certified. Furthermore, we plant trees in an area of 4.5 hectares in Brazil. In this way, POC actively contributes to the conservation of the tropical rainforest.

## Greying and cracks:

Please be advised that wood turns grey when exposed to sunlight. As Cumaru is a natural product, it weathers when exposed to the elements. This means the wood can slightly deform and small cracks can emerge, but these do not impair the quality of the wood. Therefore, weathering of the wood does not entitle you to a warranty claim.

# Sanding and treating:

Before the Cumaru boards are incorporated into our products, they are brushed and lightly sanded. The initial contact of the wood fibres with water can cause them to be slightly raised. As a result, the furniture will feel a bit more rough. If you do not like this feel, you can lightly sand your POC furniture once with the supplied sandpaper. This is not a lot of work and will improve the quality of the product. As the wood is highly durable, it is not necessary to oil your POC furniture. If you do choose to treat the wood, you can use an oil. This treatment will then mainly serve the purpose of preserving the colour of the wood.

### Knots and pinholes:

Compared with other types of wood, Cumaru has a relatively few knots. However, Cumaru is never entirely free of knots. We obviously take this into account when selecting the wood for our products. The small knots may be slightly more rough than the rest of the boards. In addition, the boards may have pinholes created by insects who were present in the wood. These tiny holes do not affect the quality and do not impair the product.