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**NEW PREMIUM FINISHES FROM AMERICAN WOODMARK**  
**CREATE A CUSTOM CABINET LOOK**

*Expanded Finish Offering Gives Homeowners High Style, High Quality  
Products That Highlight Their Personal Sense of Design*

**LAS VEGAS, May 10, 2005** – Further blurring the line between custom and stock cabinetry, American Woodmark® brand cabinets introduces new premium and standard finishes to its extensive line-up of door styles available at The Home Depot®. American Woodmark’s new Coffee glaze and Honey finish combine a look of timeless beauty with affordable luxury in response to emerging market trends towards Maple wood and lighter wood tones.

Coffee, a deep, rich brown glaze applied to the honey-toned Maple hardwood, is available on all *Designer’s Choice*® Maple door styles. The Coffee glaze is directed into the grooves and hangs in the recesses of the door, creating a deep, defined look that is timeless.

“Honey-toned wood is one of the most sought after colors selling on the market today,” says Connie Edwards, CKD, CBD and director of design, American Woodmark. “Our Coffee glaze on our new Honey-toned door style gives the cabinetry a warmer, richer look that virtually erases the line between traditional cabinetry and fine furnishings.”

American Woodmark's new rich, gold-toned Maple Honey finish is available as a standard feature on all nine of the Company's collections, including: Richmond<sup>®</sup>, Annapolis<sup>®</sup>, Townsend<sup>®</sup>, Alexandria<sup>®</sup>, Charlottesville<sup>™</sup>, Gettysburg<sup>®</sup>, Newport<sup>™</sup>, Portland<sup>™</sup>, and Ashland<sup>™</sup>. This clean-looking finish, applied to give the wood color and design versatility, complements many interior styles and helps create the comfortable atmosphere prevalent in many homes today.

Providing homeowners with even more customizing options, American Woodmark also has expanded its offering of popular Mocha and Chocolate glaze options to its Ashland and Portland door styles. Now available on all Cherry and Maple door styles in the *Designer's Choice* collections, the Maple Mocha and Cherry Chocolate glazed finishes combine the artistry of a forgotten time with the technological advances of American Woodmark's patented finishing process. The Mocha glaze features a hand-applied dark brown stain that settles into the recesses, corners and grooves of spice-stained Maple wood, while the Chocolate glaze adds a lustrous, deep color to the warm spice-finished Cherry cabinetry.

American Woodmark's premium finishes are produced with its exclusive BeautyGuard<sup>®</sup> patented multi-step finish process. The company's state-of-the-art facilities combine the best automation and skilled craftsmanship to provide a high quality cabinet finish of lasting value. Multiple staining and sealing enables BeautyGuard to deliver a rich, protective finish that enhances the beauty and depth of the grain and increases moisture resistance and durability. BeautyGuard meets or exceeds all specifications set forth by the Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturers Association (KCMA).

American Woodmark cabinetry, including its extensive line of coordinated moldings and accessories, can be found in all The Home Depot showrooms nationwide. All cabinets come with American Woodmark's easy-to-clean interior TuffTech<sup>®</sup> finish and hardwood BeautyGuard<sup>®</sup> finish, which resists scuffs, scratching, fading and moisture. Additionally, a Lifetime Limited Warranty protects the original purchaser's cabinets starting from the date of purchase. For more information about American Woodmark brand cabinets sold at The Home Depot, log onto [www.woodmark-homedepot.com](http://www.woodmark-homedepot.com).

American Woodmark Corporation, located in Winchester, Va., is the third largest manufacturer of kitchen and bath cabinets in the United States and Canada. Offering more than 230 cabinet lines in a wide variety of designs, materials and finishes, American Woodmark products are sold through a network of dealers and distributors and directly to home centers and major home builders. The company, celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, currently operates 15 manufacturing facilities in Arizona, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia, as well as various service centers across the country. American Woodmark shares are traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol "AMWD." To find out more about American Woodmark, and view its vast array of cabinet styles, visit its Web site at [www.americanwoodmark.com](http://www.americanwoodmark.com).

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