



## **Los Angeles County Arboretum Wind Storm Reclamation**

In December of 2011 a ferocious windstorm descended on Southern California wreaking havoc on many old growth trees. Most large tree damage was quite extensive, leaving little to be reclaimed due to the twisting and shearing damage from the intense winds.

However, a century year old California Walnut that succumbed to the wind in the Los Angeles County Arboretum was determined by staffers to be salvageable. As GL Veneer is known in the Southern California region as a company that actively supports and participates in urban hardwood reclamation, GL Veneer was invited to assist in reclamation of this tree.

GL Veneer and Arboretum officials took prudent and reasonable measures to salvage and preserve the beautiful gift nature had bestowed. We have since processed this tree into lumber and veneer that will go into local projects; thus preserving the heritage of this magnificent tree for many Californians to enjoy for years to come.

We hope you enjoy these photos.





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## L.A. Arboretum suffers extensive damage from windstorm

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The Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden remains closed until further notice after suffering extensive damage from the [Santa Ana winds](#) that hit the San Gabriel Valley especially hard. Taking inventory early Friday morning in Arcadia, chief executive Richard Schulhof said hundreds of trees have been damaged. Schulhof said he was greatly relieved that heritage trees from the 1870s were OK, but other trees were a total loss and cleanup may take months.













The reclamation yielded some very unique veneer. We look forward to supplying local projects with this legacy material. Please contact Jeff or Dan Levin ( [sales@glveneer.com](mailto:sales@glveneer.com) ) for more information on pricing and availability of this material