



La Puerta Originals

La Puerta Originals combines the beauty of the past with the functionality of the present, transforming antique doors and reclaimed woods into modern day works of art for your home.

Our original designs are created in collaboration with you and are like no other. Each handcrafted piece lends its rich history and soul to the character of your home, and reflects your unique style.

Cover: Arched front entry door constructed of reclaimed Douglas Fir, with molded antique fireplace grate from India and custom template glass.

who we are

We are talented designers and craftsmen with a passion for conservation and training in architecture. La Puerta Originals is dedicated to re-use and recycling of wood and other reclaimed building materials, such as antique grillwork and old metal and tin. By using antique materials and reclaimed woods, La Puerta Originals is helping to preserve the world's valuable natural resources. Our custom finishing techniques and sealants are non-toxic and water-based. They enhance the wood's beauty and protect it with custom colors and special finishes.

La Puerta Originals' inventory consists of the world's largest showcase of architectural antiques from more than 14 countries. There are 6,000 antique doors, columns, corbels, surrounds, shutters, timbers, and reclaimed wood ranging from the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries. We are located in Santa Fe, New Mexico on more than four acres that includes an 18,000 square-foot manufacturing facility.

Hand craftsmanship, while a declining art, is practiced by our skilled carpenters and craftsmen daily. For more than a decade, La Puerta Originals has combined a unique vision with one-of-a-kind materials to create distinctive doors and other architectural elements for discerning clients.



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Custom wine storage with hand carved crown molding. Constructed with reclaimed Douglas Fir.



Arched wine cellar entry. Constructed with antique mesquite panel and reclaimed Douglas Fir. Features antique clavos and strapping and reproduction hardware.



Custom designed patio doors with transom, constructed with reclaimed timbers, beams and vigas. Buffet counter made with carved Guatemalan posts and reclaimed Douglas Fir.

Front: La Puerta Originals' showroom, featuring four custom doors, O'Keeffe reproduction patio chairs, custom coffee table with inlaid antique carvings, and antique mortars as planters. Antique Mexican cross with inlaid mother of pearl and antique nicho. Freestanding antique column from the Swat Valley.

PHOTOS: ERIC SWANSON



design process

La Puerta Originals transforms architectural antiques and old wood into modern day treasures for your home. Our collaborative design process blends your aesthetics with our skills. One-of-a-kind doors, luxury cabinets, furniture, fireplace mantels...the possibilities are endless!

Our team of project managers will collect information on your project and schedule a design appointment. Design appointments are scheduled in advance. At the design appointment, we learn the scope of your project, review existing architectural plans and determine a budget. In addition, we offer professional design services to help you create new, detailed drawings for your project.

Our team will help facilitate the creative process and expertly guide you through our amazing raw material inventory to select the perfect combination of woods, finishes and complementary hardware. The design appointment includes a tour of the inventory yard and provides a brief cultural history of the material as well as provenance. As a client, you can personally select materials or our designer can provide recommendations. By personally choosing material from the inventory, you are able to participate directly in the design of your unique products.

Using your approved designs and materials, our talented master craftsmen bring centuries-old wood back to life with many of the same techniques and simple hand tools used to fashion the original doors and hardware.



design process



Section of inventory yard with antique cabinet doors with carved panels.



Design drawing in progress.



Custom designed cabinet featuring antique carved panels, crown molding, and antiqued hardware made with reclaimed Douglas Fir.

Front: Section of the La Puerta Originals' inventory yard, featuring antique doors from around the world.

PHOTOS: FRONT, BOB SNELL: LEFT AND MIDDLE: JAMES BLACK: RIGHT: ERIC SWANSON



how we work

Appointments

La Puerta Originals designs by appointment only. Design appointments are scheduled in advance and are coordinated by our team of Project Managers. An initial \$200 design fee is required to prepare your files and allows for one hour of design time with our in-house designer. All terms and conditions and approval processes will be presented and explained prior to your scheduled design appointment.

Design Services

Design services are billed at \$200 for the first hour and \$100 for each additional hour. Design drawings are created in collaboration with the clients and based on the scope of work outlined.

Terms and Conditions & Payment Process

Once the design drawings are completed, La Puerta Originals requires a signed contract and a series of approvals for any merchandise to be scheduled and custom manufactured. A Sales Agreement will be prepared for all merchandise to be built in our shops and invoices will be generated for payment of deposits and balances due.

Limited Warranty

Every La Puerta project is handcrafted to match your specifications and exceed your expectations. Doors and other merchandise manufactured by La Puerta Originals conform to the description and specifications contained in the Sales Agreement and are warranted for one year (365 days) from the date of shipment. Please see La Puerta Originals' Limited Warranty for more details.

Lead Times

Lead times are based on required approvals being completed and shop capacity at the time of signing of the Sales Agreement. Lead times will be discussed and determined during the initial design appointment.

Shipping

Your Project Manager and our shipping department can arrange for the delivery of merchandise to your home or project site. When your order is complete, arrangements will be made according to a pre-determined method. Shipping charges are additional and are billed separately. New Mexico Gross Receipts Taxes (NMGRT) must be charged for any merchandise picked up by the client at our shipping facility. If you are unable to receive your merchandise by the confirmed delivery date, a storage fee of 4% of the total Sales Agreement will be charged monthly.



how we work



Entry gate with heavy timber lintel, shutters and custom grillwork constructed with a pair of antique mesquite doors from Mexico and reclaimed

Douglas Fir. Features reproduction hardware.



Wine storage rack constructed from reclaimed Douglas Fir featuring antique carved fragments in the crown and support posts.



Powder room entry with matching hand-carved vanity and wall-mounted cabinet. Door is constructed with antique carved panels, reproduction hardware and reclaimed Douglas Fir.

Front: Bar constructed with carved columns from Guatemala, wooden and copper counter tops. Tongue-and-groove paneling with corbel supports made with reclaimed Douglas Fir. Built-in kitchen cabinets made with reclaimed Douglas Fir and custom finishes.

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exterior doors

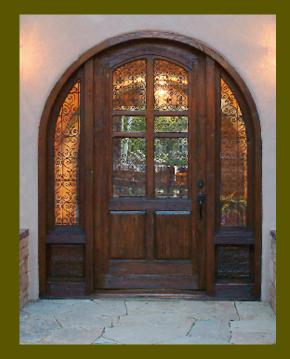
Your front door conveys the spirit of your home. Our skilled designers will render a distinctive door that complements your style using a unique combination of antique and reclaimed wood, glass, grill and metal work, and hardware from our extensive collection. Our craftsmen build your door to exact specifications, add decorative and functional hardware, create custom colors, and apply weatherproof finishes.

Make a statement with a door that expresses your individuality. La Puerta Originals can create any type of door, in any style and size. Because each door is custom designed and handcrafted — not machine made — your vision can be achieved. Elegant and distinguished arched front entries — transoms and sidelights, massive or standard, pintle-hinged, contemporary, custom grillwork and shutters, Zaguan, as well as solid wood garage doors — all can be realized. Custom glass options and specialty hardware can further enhance your project.

La Puerta Originals is recognized throughout the country for creating the most distinctive and personalized front entries. Let us create an original for you.



exterior doors



Custom arched front entry unit with sidelights made with reclaimed Douglas Fir, antique grillwork, antique carved cabinet panels, and reproduction hardware.



Arched wine cellar entry. Constructed with antique mesquite panel and reclaimed Douglas Fir. Features antique clavos and strapping and reproduction hardware.



Double garage entry door made with reclaimed Douglas Fir with reproduction pull ring hardware and clavos.

Front: Custom front entry unit, inset arched door with custom grillwork and beveled tempered glass and specialty reproduction hardware. Constructed with reclaimed Douglas Fir.

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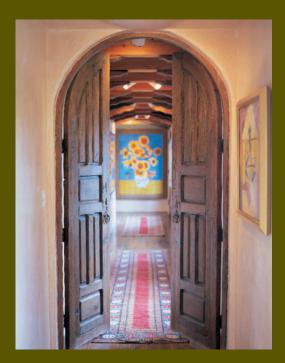
interior doors



Kitchen pantry door. Constructed from antique mesquite panel and reclaimed Douglas Fir, includes original antique clavos and reproduction pull ring.



Bar pantry door. Made with antique roof tin, with quilted pattern, seeded glass and reproduction pull ring. Panelized flooring, constructed of prefinished 42" squares containing assorted varieties of reclaimed antique woods.



Arched hallway entry. Made from a pair of antique five-panel Mexican doors, reclaimed Pine and antique pull rings.

Front: Hand carved sunflowers set in five-panel reproduction door. Constructed with reclaimed Douglas Fir and reclaimed timber beam. Reproduction hardware.

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kitchens, cabinetry and millwork

Enhance your home with custom, solid wood elements that are both distinctive and practical. La Puerta Originals designs and builds kitchen cabinets, countertops, kitchen islands, flooring, ceilings, libraries, and custom furnishings for all areas of the home.

Your kitchen is the heart of your home, the gathering place for friends and family. We work with you to create a kitchen that is both beautiful and functional. The exact fit and total utility are critical in the kitchen, so our designers carefully review your plans and build each element for perfect fit.

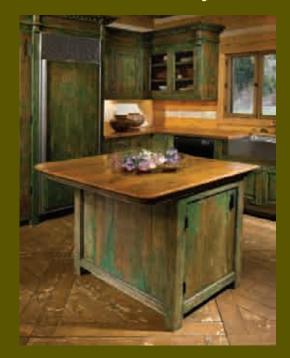
Carved doors from India transform into kitchen cabinets. Antique corbels become the base of a stove hood. Reclaimed wood and columns elegantly define an eating area. In a contemporary, yet sustainable twist, bamboo cabinets are combined with old wood beams and copper elements for a look that is stunning and fresh.

Our durable, non-toxic finishes ensure that your project weathers well and becomes more beautiful with daily use.

Custom cabinetry, furniture and millwork can complement each area of your home with the feel and finish of antique and reclaimed woods. The look is one of consistency, balance and beauty.



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Rustic green kitchen island and caabinets constructed with reclaimed Douglas Fir and antique Mexican Bar components.



White kitchen with antique carved corbel fragments and reclaimed Douglas Fir.

Countertops made with reclaimed pine and oak.



Fiesta kitchen created with custom finishes, constructed of reclaimed Douglas Fir and antique carved Guatemalan beams.

Front: French Country kitchen constructed with antique carved fragments, reclaimed Douglas Fir and period reproduction hardware. Custom appliance panels for pullout dish drawers. Custom kitchen window designed and made with custom grillwork and reproduction hardware. Copper backsplash.

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finishing touches

Old wood has a memory. La Puerta Originals takes its inspiration from the character and imperfections of antique and reclaimed woods. Our custom finishing technique imparts color, adds and enhances character, and provides a layer of protection for lasting beauty.

Our artisans use custom colors, hand-rubbed patinas, multi-colored layering techniques, hand sanding, and old world carving tools to finish each project. They also restore architectural details and can match colors to the wood's original finish so that it's difficult to distinguish where old meets new.

La Puerta Originals uses non-toxic, water-based paints, sealants and other products to ensure the finishing process is environmentally safe, yet durable.

Hardware and Glass

Hardware and glass are the finishing touches to your custom designed project. We offer a variety of unique and functional hardware options, both antique and reproduction, which we expertly install to ensure your project's originality and long-lasting security. Our experienced staff can guide you through the available hardware options and help you choose the best for your project and budget.

Glass can provide functional yet creative design elements to your doors. There are many options available and we offer a variety of custom styles — seeded, stained, opaque and obscured, tempered, and pressed art glass. These options are also available in custom-template sizes and thicknesses.



finishing touches



La Puerta Originals offers unique and varied custom finishes for its doors, gates, cabinets, furniture, and architectural elements for your home. Visit our website for more examples of our custom finishes.

Front: Finish samples and antique hardware on display in the La Puerta Originals showroom

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