

"BEST SILO ON MARKET FOR THE MONEY"

Wood Stave Silos Still Going Strong

"We think they're still the best silo on the market for the money," says Al Gurney, sales engineer for Unadilla Silo Co., the nation's first and only supplier of wood stave silos.

The first Unadilla wood stave silos were erected in 1905. Last year, during the Bicentennial, the company ran a contest to find their oldest wood-stave silo still in use. The winner: A 69-year-old silo on the Smith Bielby Farm near Otego, N.Y.

Gurney estimates that some 50,000 Unadilla silos have been sold through the years in the U.S., Europe and South America.

"The same exclusive features that sold wood silos 70 years ago are selling them today," Gurney told FARM

SHOW. "They're very competitive in price, cost less to erect, resist silage acids, never need resurfacing or re-coating, and are relatively easy to move. Wood silos also seal in the juices, accommodate all types of silages and have the same insulating ability as a concrete wall 13.5 to 20 in. thick. Another bonus benefit with wood silos is their excellent resale value. Older silos generally sell for about what they cost originally. In a few cases, wood silos no longer used for storing silage have been torn down and rebuilt into silo houses."

Sizes range from 8 to 20 ft. in dia. and up to 50 ft. high. Retail cost of one of the most popular sizes — 16 by 40 ft. — is right at \$7,000, FOB the

factory, including roof, hoops, doors and chute. Individual tongue and grooved wood staves (2 in. thick) and door sections are treated in a vacuum press plant which forces creosote into the wood for long-term preservation.

All roof rafters, boards and battens are pre-cut, ready to nail in place. Door openings are 20 in. wide, continuous and unobstructed. Every

hoop can be taken up as much as 14 in. at the door front. Removable front rods make for easy access to the silo. When in place, they complete the silo hoop across the door front where strength is required — as well as around the balance of the silo.

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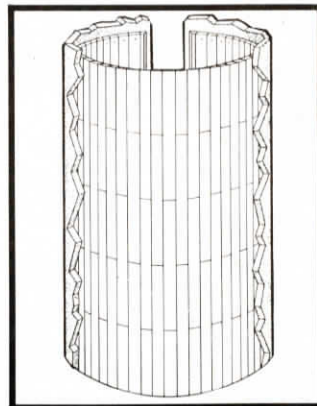
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GIVES CONCRETE OR STEEL SILOS NEW LIFE

Wood Liner "Saves" Deteriorated Silos



If you're wondering what to do with a concrete or steel silo that's acid corroded, time worn or fire damaged, you may want to consider relining it with a wood liner.

"In many cases, it's a lot cheaper and longer lasting than sand blasting, replastering, re-coating or other alternatives," says Al Gurney, of Unadilla Silo Co., Unadilla, N.Y. The company manufactures a wood stave Una-Liner kit for "saving" poured concrete, concrete stave, tile or steel silos.

"You can Una-Line the entire silo interior, or just the bottom portion where juice acids have eaten into the masonry or metal," explains Gurney.

Creosote-treated staves making up the Una-Liner kit are the same type used for Unadilla's wood silos.

Unadilla wood silos are designed for do-it-yourself construction, or the pre-cut package can be custom erected in a day or two.

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