

# Reclaimed Barn Wood Furniture Specialty at The Furniture Store

There is “real” reclaimed barn wood and then there is “real” reclaimed barn wood. Bob and Nancy Wallace, owners of The Furniture Store of Big Bear, say their Montana reclaimed barn wood furniture is the real thing. Skilled craftsman at the Bozeman, Montana factory build all of the high quality furniture.

The couple re-opened the store on November 1 at its new and larger store across the street from the previous location. The new store provides better visibility on the Boulevard, easier access and more parking, Bob said.

Not a newcomer to business or Big Bear, Bob has owned several antique and furniture businesses both here and elsewhere in California, including Dinky Dalton Antiques and Chantilly Lace. In doing so, they have a loyal and long-standing customer base who appreciate the quality and design of his furniture. “I have a client who wanted a mountain cabin home in Big Bear, but decided instead to furnish his entire home in the Simi Valley with our barn wood furniture,” he said.

To stay on top of production and orders, the Wallaces visit the Bozeman factory often, spending weeks at a time. Customers may choose from furnishings in several showrooms, including dining room, living room, bedroom, bathroom and the kitchen.

The store also carries complimenting rugs, lamps and artwork. The work of a particular photographer, with several large pieces on display, feature western themes with cowboys and horses, favorites of Nancy.

The store specializes in custom built genuine reclaimed barn wood furniture, from bathroom vanities to kitchen cupboards. About half of their business is from custom orders. “You dream it up, we’ll draw it up for you” Bob said.

“People should know that we are not a discount store. We sell high quality furniture at competitive prices, most of which are 30 to 40 per cent lower than what you will find online,” Bob said.

The public is invited to visit the new showroom at their Re-Opening at the store on Thursday, November 15. The Chamber will host a grand opening ceremony at 4:00 pm.

You will find The Furniture Store at 41530 Big Bear Boulevard in Big Bear Lake, (909) 878-0800. Be sure to call first, as store hours vary, depending on the Wallace’s travel schedule.