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Subject: Matching Colour with Wood

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Are there rules of thumb on matching stain/dye tones and colour with different types of wood? I know one approach is to not worry about matching wood and colour and just do whatever looks good to you. However, I'm looking for established standards. Do colours look best when they're used with the wood that they're named after? For example, Golden Oak, Dark Walnut, Cherry, Mahogany, Yellow Maple. Should Cherry coloured stain be used in non-cherry wood such as oak or mahogany? Should Cherry coloured stain even be used on cherry at all, seeing the wood already has a red tone? Gar.

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