

# The Hudsonville Barn

Hudsonville, Michigan

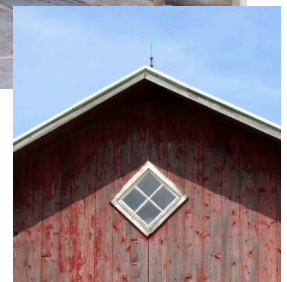


**The Past:** The Hudsonville Barn was built circa 1870, and served as the family farm for two different families. In 1905, it was purchased by the second owner. Second ownership lasted faithfully for four generations. This magnificent barn housed hay and dairy cows. Dairy farming was evident from the cast iron milking stations in the barn's right lean-to. A truly beautiful feature of the barn is that the frame was made of all hand hewn oak, maple, and pine timbers. The barn was of post and beam construction and originally had a gable roof. In the 1920's, the owners had restructured the roof to a gambrel style for the purpose of more hay storage. Siding was originally attached by square nails.

Some of the owners, carved their initials inside the barn for posterity. If these walls could talk, they would regale stories of dedicated hard working farmers and their families making a living in America.



**The Present and Future:** The barn was threatened by urban development and needed to be sold off or destroyed. The reclaimed wood from the Hudsonville Barn will continue being a part of America's heritage in your project.



## Barn Wood Facts:

- Original size of the barn was 60 x 80 feet.
- Beams were hand hewn with an ax and adze.
- Planks ranged in width from 4" to 24".
- Largest timbers were 12" x 12" and 40 feet long.
- Made of oak, maple, and pine.
- The company, American Barn & Wood purchased the barn in 2012.

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