



Attached Stump Carving Care

Authentic Chainsaw Art

Chainsaw carving art is austere and rugged in nature; naturally, your piece will be rustic, form cracks, and give the appearance of chainsaw marks. It is part of the natural process, and it adds character to your piece. However, leaving the roots attached creates another level of care.

Attached Stump or Trunk

Leaving the roots connected leaves the carving connected with its watering system. That means the inside of the carving stays moist while the outside of the carving, being preserved, keeps outside moisture out, and leaves internal moisture in. This may result in mushrooms, cracks, bugs, or even rotting from the inside out. This could mean a shorter lifespan and more maintenance to preserve the artwork.

- **Give it shade.** Direct sunlight is hard on it and will make it fade and crack. Can you plant a tree nearby or set up a sunshade that would fit your landscaping plan?
- **Set it on a platform.** One possible solution would be to cut the tree entirely, grind out the roots, and pour in a concrete base (use rebar). The carving would then be placed upon the cement base with ¼" flat metal spacers underneath (for air to flow), and fastened with angle brackets to the concrete pad. The concrete pad would have to cure at least a week before the carving is reinstalled.
- **Clear the debris.** Blow out any rain, dirt, leaves, or snow that collects in crevices of the carving.
- **Keep it uncovered.** Covering your carving for a season will damage the varnish and invite rot and mold. Simply keep it clean.
- **Re-varnish.** Treat your fading carving with satin spar varnish one to three times per year.

Guarantee

Your attached carving is guaranteed to degenerate!

Items sold, are sold as is. However, I will do all that I can to work with you to try to repair major defects that appear. Repairs, if needed, will be after the piece has dried for about a year. For questions or concerns please contact Joel at Chisel Point.