Have a good combustion on my fireplace

For your wood stove to burn well, you must :

1. Use dry, untreated wood
2. Light your stove properly according to the manufacturer's instructions

Which wood should I use to light my wood stove?

Use wood cut in the forest or purchased in supermarkets. Beech, oak or birch are excellent firewood. For lighting, the ideal is to use small wood. Softwoods such as pine or fir, for example, ignite quickly and give off a lot of heat. You should not burn newspaper and similar products because they can cover the stove with soot and give off harmful fumes.

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Does the wood have to be dry?

It is recommended to bring the wood in a few days before using it so that it is at room temperature. The wood should have a moisture content of 15 to 20%. This means in practice that it must dry for at least 1 year (preferably 2 years) before being used. It is therefore advisable to buy the wood in advance and store it properly. Wood takes time to dry. Proper drying takes up to 2 years depending on the type of wood and storage.

Wood dries best when it has been sawn and cut. Place the wood in an airy, sunny place away from the rain. Preferably under a shelter with closed sides. Avoid a cover that retains moisture. Drying wood outdoors is almost always the best solution because the air circulation is more satisfactory.

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The logs must be adapted to the stove

The logs must be adapted to the size of the stove's combustion chamber. Avoid using logs that are too big (more than 10cm in diameter). They must be split.

If unsuitable or damp wood is used, soot or even a fire may form in the chimney. In this case, all air inlets to the stove must be closed.

Note

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Never burn plastic-coated wood, chipboard, painted, lacquered, laminated, treated, plywood, household waste, paper briquettes or coal. Noxious and polluting fumes may be released. Never use liquid fuel in any situation as this could cause an explosion in the worst case scenario.

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