



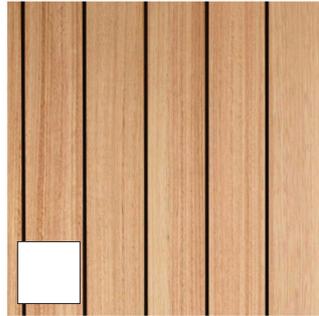
TOUCHWOOD VENEER PANELLING YOUR PANELS



Tasmanian Oak on Natural



2420x1212 Panel



Tasmanian Oak on Black



2720x1212 Panel



Blackwood on Natural



3020x1212 Panel



Blackwood on Black



3620x1212 Panel

CARING FOR YOUR TOUCHWOOD PANELS

- TIP: Always check panels prior to installation to ensure you have received the correct product, any cut products cannot be returned. Also note, in some cases batching and sorting may be required to achieve your desired look. Sorting through sheets and allocating panels to walls/ceiling should be done prior to making your first cut.

ONSITE STORAGE

Touchwood Panels must be stored flat in a dry area free from any environmental elements such as moisture (rain, frost, condensation), direct sunlight. Best practice is to leave panels in their original packaging or well covered until they need to be cut and installed.

Do not leave panels uncovered or partially covered for long periods of time. Like all timber, Touchwood Veneer Panels can be damaged or discoloured with excessive UV exposure.

Connecting edges must be protected at all times any damage will compromise the seamless joining panel to panel.

- TIP: do not stand panels on long edges, store flat or on short edge (if necessary).

HANDLING

Touchwood Panels are supplied raw. Being a timber-based product, the faces of the sheet are pores and are subject to marking, staining and contamination if handled excessively or not adequately protected onsite against spills, dirty hands, etc. Best practice is to wear gloves whilst handling, cutting and installing. Wipe off any spills, adhesives, etc immediately to prevent staining or coating contamination.

SURFACE PREP – PRIOR TO COATING

All contaminants; hand grease, waxes, dried adhesives must be removed from the veneer face prior to coating. This can be done by sanding panels with an orbital sander (or equivalent) using a 180 – 240 grit paper. Light scratches should also be sanded out.

- TIP: when sanding out a scratch, avoid only sanding the scratch area. Best practice is to give the entire sheet a light sand.



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REPAIRS TO VENEER

Any scratches that cant be removed by sanding may be able to be steamed out using a damp cloth and iron. Without introducing too much water to the panel, lightly soak a clean white rag or paper towel over the affected area, gently press with a hot iron until all moisture has withdrawn from the rag or paper towel.

Remove any extra water by wiping thorououghly with a dry cloth, heat gun or simply dry with the iron in hand. It important not to leave any water residue on the veneer, this can stain. Adding steam to the veneer will lift the wood fibre and work towards pulling out any scratches. This process may need to be repeated a couple of times.

Once area has dried, a light sand to the affected area and surrounding is required in preparation for coating. Note this process cannot be done if panels have already been coated.

Great videos can be found online on how to steam and repairs out of timber.

FINISHING/ COATING

There are a number of finishes or coating in the market that are suitable for use on Touchwood Panels. To delay the onset of fading or colour change in the timber bought on by UV light always use a clear coating with UV inhibitors in the mix.

A thick nap roller is required when applying coating onsite to ensure penetration of coating into the V groove. Extra attention/ coating should be used inside of the V groove if Touchwood Veneer Panels meet the floor.

- TIP: Always test coating on an offcut or back of a panel prior to coating the face veneer. This will help you understand the spread and absorption rate of the coating on the timber veneer.

More information on coating timber veneer can be found at: www.timberveneer.asn.au



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

To access more information and installation guides and instructions, please visit our website:

touchwoodproducts.com.au/panelling

