

## August 2019 Newsletter

**Welcome to our mid year “Bamboo update” newsletter, featuring recent projects, articles and images of how customers are using some of our beautiful, natural bamboo products in their homes and workplaces.** If you’ve completed a project using our bamboo flooring, decking or panels, we’d love to see them and be able to share them with others (especially “before” and “after” photos). Please let us know!

### New Toyota Showroom features Bamboo Panels

One of our team members recently visited the new Toyota showroom in Botany, Auckland and took these photos. Some lovely use of our bamboo panels to make their kitchen joinery, doors, counter-tops, and other feature items. They look great! **The items were made from Plantation vertical coffee bamboo panels (18mm and 40mm thick).**

[Click here to learn more about bamboo panels](#)

*Credit to: Architect - Woodhams Meikle Zhan,  
Joinery - Savory Construction, Doors - Doors N  
More, Finish – Woca oil*





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### New display stand in Christchurch

We're pleased to have opened our new display stand at Home Ideas in Christchurch, where customers can now view our range of bamboo flooring, decking and panel products at their leisure. In Christchurch? **Visit our new stand at 37 Mandeville St, Riccarton.**

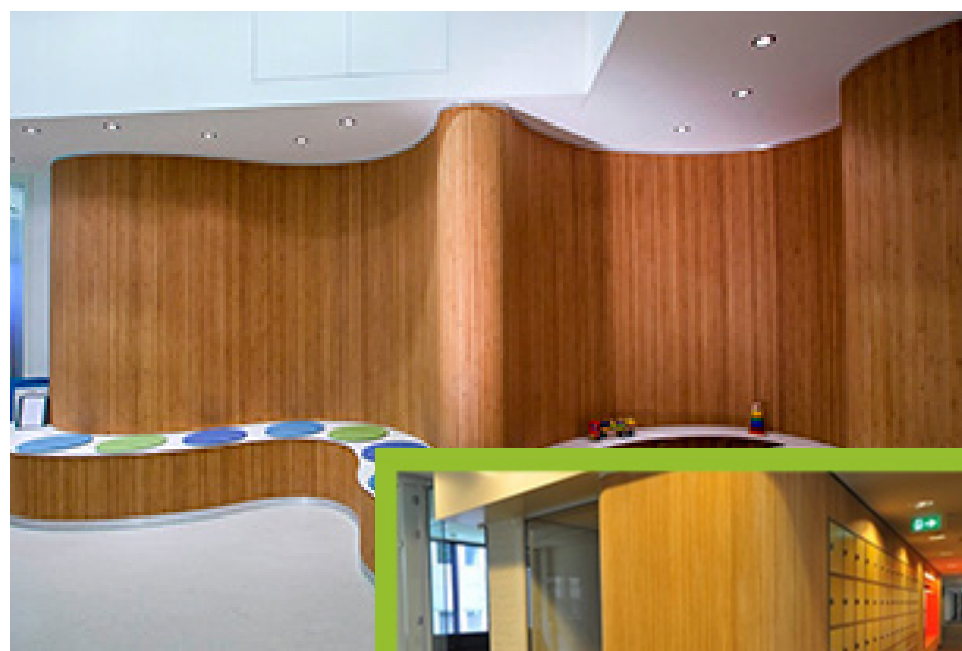
With over 100 exhibitors, Home Ideas is a great place to view a wide range of home and building-related products to get ideas and inspiration. **We now have display stands at Home Ideas in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch.** They are open 7 days a week and have free parking (and no pushy sales people in sight!).



### Flexbamboo - flexible bamboo wall or ceiling lining

Our Flexbamboo product has created some good interest with Architects and Designers. Made from 7mm or 15mm wide strips of bamboo, on a fabric backing, and sold in 5m or 20m rolls (2.04m wide). Flexbamboo is a natural, healthy and great-looking finishing material that can be used on walls, ceilings cabinets, furniture and more. Great for any "curvy" projects!

[Click here to learn more about this unique product.](#)





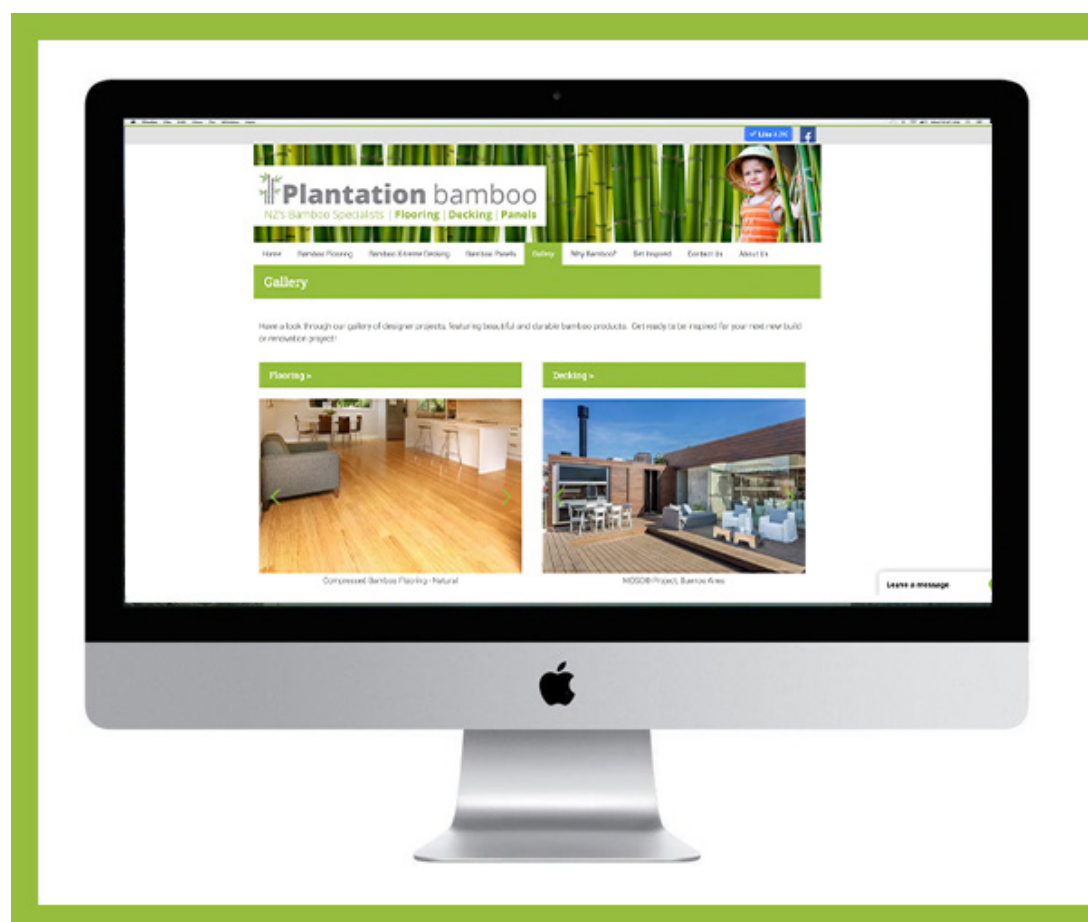
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### New photo gallery!

We're pleased to have a new web page where customers can see over 100 photos of a range of completed projects featuring bamboo panels, flooring and decking. The photos are in these "albums":

- Flooring
- Decking
- Kitchens – cabinetry & bench-tops
- Shelving & other joinery
- Doors, stairs, walls and ceilings
- Tables, furniture & other

[Click here to have a look at our new online gallery.](#)



### Decking and Dancefloor!

Our Northland customer was delighted to be able to install most of her new bamboo x-treme decking by herself. She said "We've just finished the deck yesterday and it's looking fabulous! I was able to lay the decking in one day, and almost by myself!. ...we have tested it for its use as a dance floor and it works a treat. We are now able to do our very own Ballroom in the Bush. Thanks for the great product and support! We'll definitely recommend Plantation Bamboo, some neighbours already showed interest." - Annina, Northland

[Click here to learn more about bamboo x-treme decking](#)





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### Great Feedback!

We strive hard to provide a great experience for our customers, so we are always delighted to receive feedback on completed projects. Here are a few quotes from Google reviews we've received from customers since our last update...

#### Panels

"We found dealing with Eveliene at Plantation bamboo to be an absolute breeze, she is a wealth of knowledge. The service was flawless, as is this really amazing product, it was easy to cut & finish, we would highly recommended Plantation Bamboo products!"

*- Jane, Auckland*

#### Decking

"We self-built a 4x7.4m deck from Bamboo x-treme decking. Beautiful, environment-friendly product, very easy to install, great service and support.

Highly recommend!"

*- Annina, Northland*

#### Flooring

"I found the bamboo flooring easy to install, particularly with the excellent support video on line. It has transformed the dining room, which was formerly carpeted. This product is tough and easily cleaned. You have to add felt to the feet of hard, heavy wooden furniture, as advised in the video, but that makes things move more easily for cleaning. Great product and good support from the team at Plantation Bamboo."

*- Mark, Auckland*

#### Decking

"Really happy with product looks amazing, easy to install and delivery and dealings with Plantation bamboo was very easy."

*- Emily, Taupo*

This sort of feedback from customers really makes our day! We just love helping people with their new build or renovation projects and sharing our passion for our beautiful, sustainable bamboo products.



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### NEW! Bamboo X-Treme Decking Brochure

We've just created a new brochure on our bamboo x-treme decking, with some nice photos of installations from here and around the world.

[Click here to download it.](#) Bamboo x-treme decking is really growing in popularity as it is getting better known in the market. Some advantages over other decking include:

- Bamboo x-treme is the next generation in sustainable decking – made with fast-growing, sustainable bamboo (only 5 years to full maturity)
- Powder-coated stainless steel clip and screw fixings come with the decking (for invisible fastening) – making it quick to install
- The boards have an end-matching tongue-in-groove join, which can't be achieved with most other decking products, as they are not as stable as bamboo x-treme
- The “thermo-density” heat treatment process and compression helps make the decking incredibly hard and dense – giving it great stability
- It now has a 25 year warranty – as it has been proven to endure the harshest climates and conditions around the world





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### NEW! Bamboo Elite Flooring

We loved (and laughed) at the email a Levin customer sent us with a photo of her bamboo elite flooring that was recently installed. She said *"I am very happy that I had the bamboo put in! The rooms are brighter and warmer in color tones. I love to look at it and have had the impulse to just get down and roll around on it! But, my aging bones would not like that..!"* - Carol, Levin

[Click here to see more on Bamboo Elite flooring](#)



### Sustainable Bamboo Forestry

With the current level of deforestation occurring in sub-tropical areas, it is anticipated that these will be fully depleted in 500 years. Our natural resources must be used responsibly to avoid such devastation. Bamboo is one of the fastest growing, renewable resources in the world. It also absorbs CO2 in large quantities. One bamboo plant consists of several poles, and new shoots will grow from the mother plant every year. Generally 20-25% of the poles in a sustainable bamboo forest can be harvested each year. This happens without decreasing the number of poles per hectare! The bamboo plant does not die after harvesting (as with trees) – so no deforestation. On the contrary, by harvesting the mature plants, the yield and quality of the plantation actually increases!





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### Day care loving bamboo blocks!

It's lovely to be able to help a little in our community – so we were delighted to receive a big thanks and some photos of young children playing with some bamboo panel samples/off-cuts we donated. Perhaps some future engineers in the making?



### More Information

Please check out our website for lots of photos and information of our range of bamboo building-related products - [www.plantationbamboo.co.nz](http://www.plantationbamboo.co.nz) As usual if you have any questions or if we can help you with anything bamboo-related, please get in touch with any of our friendly team.

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Best regards,  
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