

August 2020 Newsletter

Welcome to our winter “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.

Crazy times!

Despite much doom and gloom in the media, we're so grateful to have had record sales of our bamboo products since lockdown. Customers appear keen to forge ahead with their renovation or build plans, which has created a strain on our stock availability – as we recently ran out of stock of some items. However, we have many containers of bamboo

flooring, decking and panels in production and on their way to our two warehouses over the coming weeks and months. It pays to plan ahead with any upcoming projects. We can reserve and allocate stock for you on payment of a deposit – to reduce the risk of missing out on items when required.

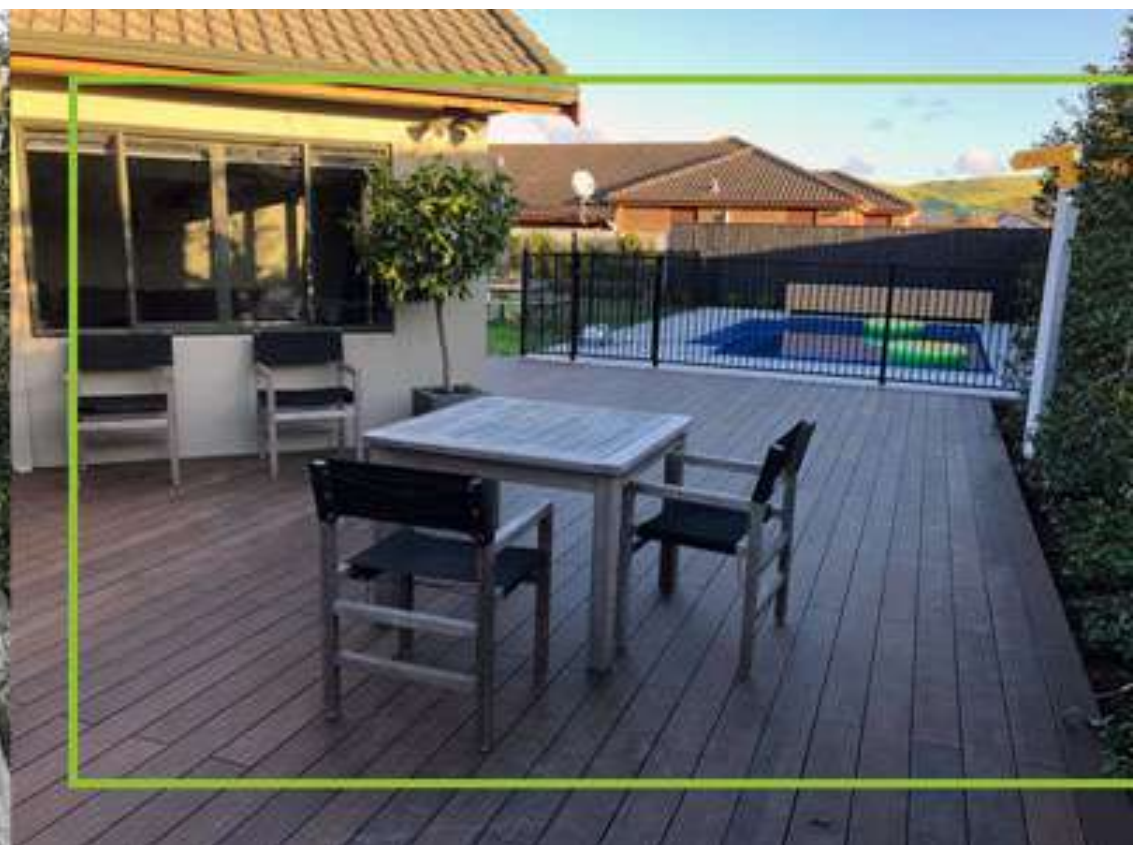
Decking Transformation

Our Bay of Plenty customers sent us “before and after” photos of their bamboo X-treme decking installation. They said **“What a fantastic product, we absolutely love our new deck! Awesome people to deal with, I thoroughly recommend them and their product”**.

Scott & Mandy, Tauranga.

The bamboo x-treme decking was installed by their friend and past customer of ours, who is happy to help others in the region with installation, if needed. The new deck looks ready for some summer BBQ's now!

[Learn more about Bamboo X-Treme Decking](#)



Sharp Kitchen Reno

Raglan kitchen manufacturer and joiner, MoTide Ltd, completed a kitchen renovation project for a client, utilising our 30mm vertical bamboo panels (natural colour). We love the stylish, clean and natural look!

"We just looove working with your beautiful

bamboo panels... we are super keen to find someone we can build a whole bamboo kitchen for". – *Sascha, MoTide Ltd, Raglan*

[Visit the MoTide Ltd website](#)

[Learn more about bamboo panels](#)



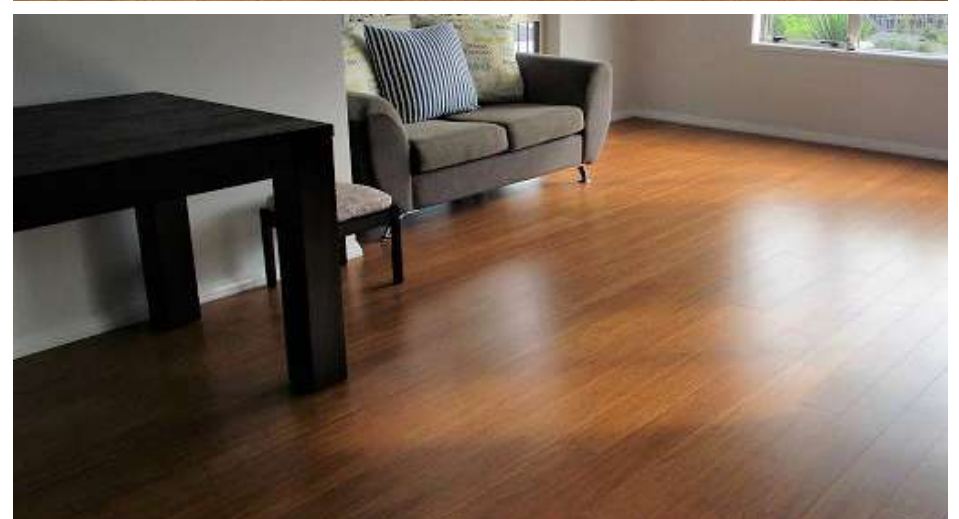
DIY Bamboo Flooring

Our compressed bamboo flooring not only looks beautiful, but it is also a well-known hypoallergenic, so customers don't need to worry about dust mites, pollen and nasty allergens being trapped in their floors (like some other floor coverings do).

A Waikato customer was blown away with his recent home renovation using our compressed bamboo "coffee" flooring. Jim installed this bamboo flooring himself. We reckon he did a great job!

This DIY bamboo flooring project was **"A total transformation of our room, we are extremely delighted with the product. To anyone thinking of laying a floating bamboo floor we would highly recommend Plantation Bamboo"**. - *Jim, Waikato.*

[Learn more about bamboo flooring](#)



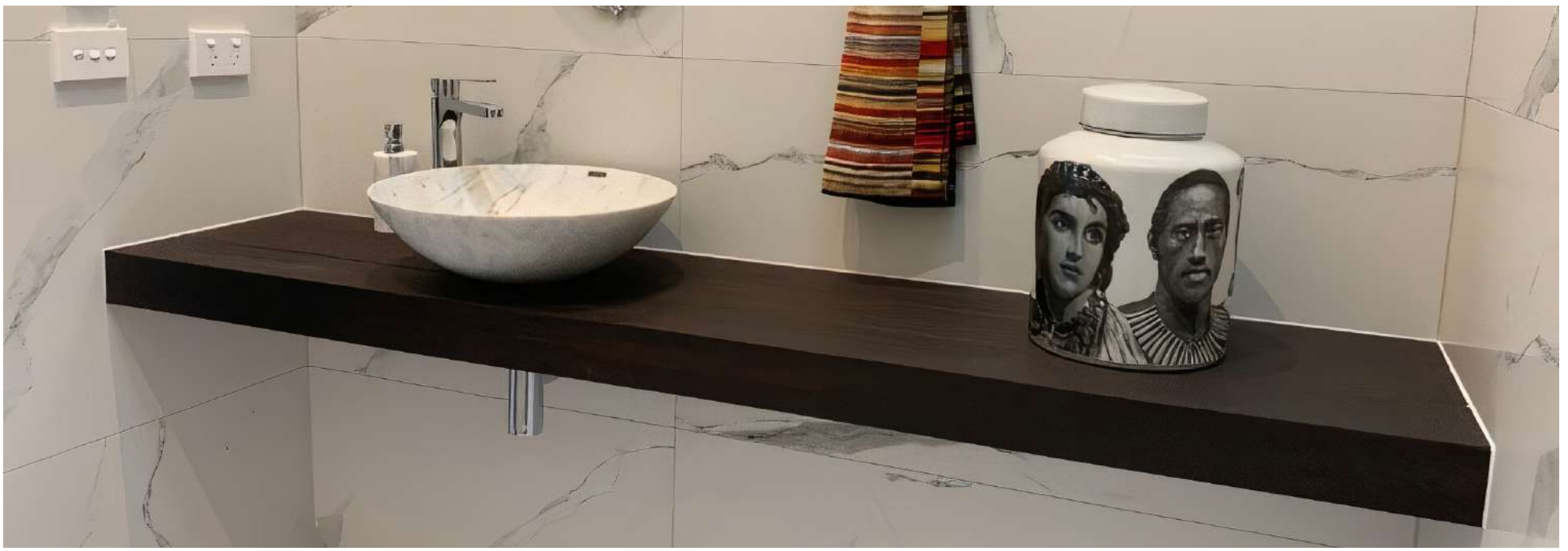
Bathroom vanity made from Bamboo X-Treme Decking.

We always love to see innovative use of our bamboo products by customers. Mat Keys, from Keys

Construction in Porirua crafted this nice-looking bathroom vanity from our bamboo x-treme decking boards. How clever is that!

[Learn more about Bamboo X-Treme Decking](#)

[Learn more about Bamboo Panels](#)



Flexbamboo for furniture

Bay of Plenty children's furniture manufacturer, Starex recently created a new ottoman furniture piece in their collection, featuring our Flexbamboo product. Being in a flexible, roll format (and just

2mm thick, with a fabric backing), Flexbamboo was the ideal product to wrap around the edge of the ottoman.

[Check out Starex here](#)

[Learn more about Flexbamboo](#)



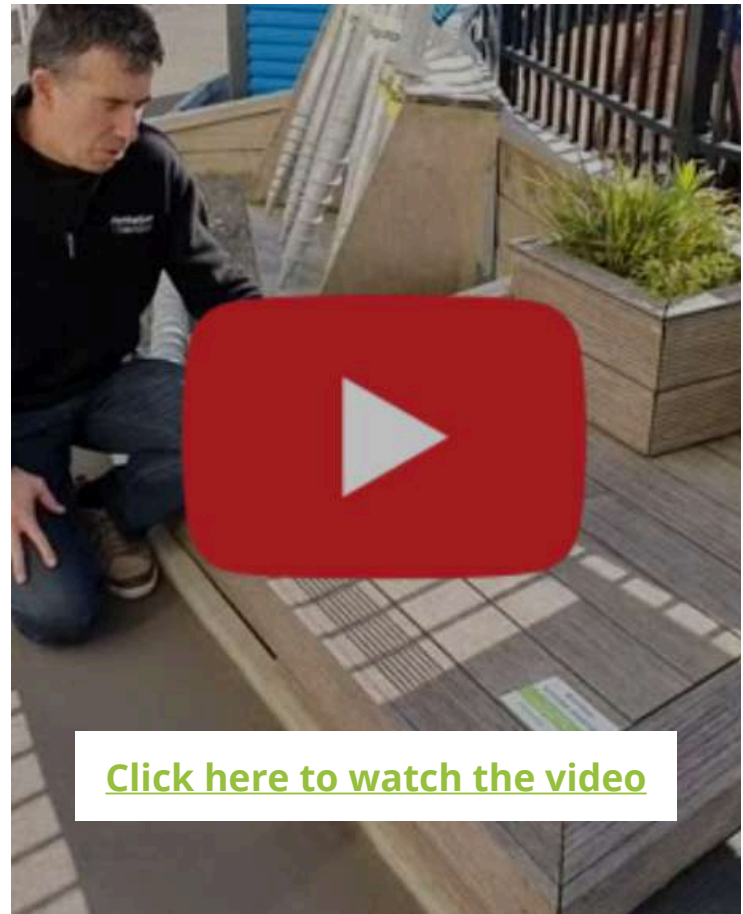
"We love working with natural, sustainable products like Plantation's Flexbamboo. Our new Ottoman, features this beautiful, innovative product".
- Elinor, Designer at StarexNZ

Decking: weathering vs oiling?

A common question we hear about our bamboo x-treme decking is “will it fade over time” (from the darkish brown original colour)? The answer is “yes”, it will gradually weather and “silver-off” as it ages, much like any timber product will. It can be left like this to naturally fade to a silvery-grey colour, or be oiled every 2-3 years or so, to a desired colour.

In this short, 25 second video, I show a 3-year-old weathered deck, compared to one that has been oiled (with WOCA “walnut” coloured oil).

[View our Bamboo X-Treme Decking brochure](#)



Did you know...

A bamboo stem is hollow, which is one of the most significant differences between bamboo and wood. The sections that grow to varying lengths are separated by transverse diaphragms forming nodes or “knuckles”. Also, the bamboo stem does not grow in thickness over time as the sprouting shoot determines the thickness of the mature stem. The only growth is in the longitudinal direction. Just one of the amazing things about bamboo...

[Read more about “why choose bamboo”](#)

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 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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