

# 2020

## What is Atelier?

And why should I consider using  
AtelierClad® & AtelierDeck® in the UK?



After 18 months of research and development, QTD launched in 2019 the ThermoWood Atelier Interior & Exterior Collection.

This gives our customers a textured brushed grain surface in a choice of ten colours and ten different cladding and decking profiles.

The Atelier collection can be machined in a wide range of board widths which can provide a seamless transition between cladding and decking.

As you can appreciate, QTD are asked a lot of valid questions about our products so to help you, we have decided to answer the most popular questions below:

### **Is the Atelier Brushed-Grain Cladding and Decking UV resistant?**

Our Atelier Brushed-Grain Cladding and Decking range has a three stage UV resistant coating system with a washable surface. In effect the coating system has been made flexible to accommodate any subtle movement in the timber.

This coating will also resist flaking, cracking and peeling, it is also Non-Flammable and has a low VOC, so it can be used internally and externally.

Our sample panels have been walked over as doormats continuously with work boots for the past 18 months in our yard and the colour still remains.

### **Why should I consider colour coated cladding and decking?**

We often get asked this question and to be honest it's not essential for improving the timbers longevity, but it is a valid point.

In the past the main reason that people painted their timber cladding was because they purchased lower quality softwood.

Then in order to help protect it and to prevent the UV sunlight from fading the timber to a dull grey with blackened knots, they would paint the boards mainly black.

An example of this can be seen on many barns and older style houses.

### **Is there any on-going maintenance with the Atelier Brushed-Grain Cladding and Decking?**

Nowadays, advances in technology on timber and paint production have moved.

So, providing the timber cladding has a fairly low and stable moisture content and the correct paint is applied, then ongoing maintenance will be very low.

The colouring of Atelier Brushed-Grain Cladding and Decking will be more about the aesthetics and design intent instead of protecting the timber from the weather.

### **Do you supply this coating if I need to touch up any damaged areas?**

Yes, we can supply this Atelier Brushed-Grain Cladding and Decking coating should you need to touch up or re-coat any areas that may have been damaged.

By the same token if you simply want to freshen it up after several years, we can provide you with whatever quantity your project requires so that you can re-apply it.

Of course, like all surfaces it would need to be reasonably cleaned first by using washing up liquid and a hose.

### **Non-Slip BS7976 rated for Decking**

ADVANTAGES OVER LEADING COMPOSITES/WPC and CEMENT based boards.

- Design freedom and creativity.
- Profile and board width options
- FSC Certified
- 100% Recyclable
- Extremely Stable
- 30+yrs Durability
- High Impact Resistance
- Fire-Rated
- No two boards are the same with its attractive natural brushed grain