



# TOUCHWOOD VENEER PANELLING INSTALLATION GUIDE

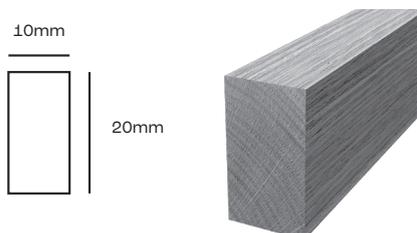
Touchwood Veneer Panelling is made from PEFC certified Tasmanian Timber veneer pressed on moisture resistant MDF board with a vertical groove to give the appearance of solid VJ panelling.

Touchwood Veneer Panelling is sustainable, quick and easy to install, more cost effective than solid timber and just as beautiful.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS	
<b>Sheet Size</b>	<b>Natural:</b> 2420mm x 1212mm Also available in 2720mm, 3020mm, 3620mm sheet lengths <b>Black:</b> 2440mm x 1212mm Also available in 3040mm sheet length
<b>Substrate</b>	9mm moisture resistant MDF board
<b>Veneer Options</b>	<b>Natural:</b> Tasmanian Oak or Blackwood veneer pressed on natural MDF <b>Black:</b> Tasmanian Oak or Blackwood veneer pressed on black MDF
<b>Sheet Weight</b>	8.3kg/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>VJ Width</b>	(distance between grooves) is 100mm
<b>Panel Jointing</b>	Panels are joined with a tongue and groove system. Tongues available in Natural and Black

## SOLID TIMBER MOULDINGS

To further complete your stylish and uniform wall-to-wall, wall-to-ceiling or wall-to-floor transitions, Touchwood Products also offer a range of 20mm x 10mm x 3600mm profiles in Tasmanian Oak and Blackwood to compliment the Touchwood Veneer Panelling range.



Profile available in 20mm x 10mm x 3600mm lengths

## PREPARATION

- Prior to installation, Touchwood Veneer Panelling panels must remain dry through both transport and storage and must be fitted into a fully weatherproof structure
- Ensure you have the appropriate personal safety equipment
- Panels can be fixed directly onto plaster board
- The panels cannot be fixed directly to brick, blockwork, or masonry. Installation to these surfaces is only possible using appropriate timber battens. Securely attach battens to your masonry wall approximately 450mm apart. Ensure battens are square by using a spirit level
- When applying to timber or steel frame, wall studs must be spaced at 450 to 600mm apart
- For steel frame, a 9mm ply could be fixed to studs with face screws before fixing panels
- Where sheets need to be joined in between studs, place noggins at 450mm spacings to support the join.

## FOR INSTALLATION, YOU WILL NEED

- ND Fixing Brads – 16 gauge
- Adhesive – SMX multibond 50 or alternative multibond adhesive as recommended by trade outlets
- Putty for nail holes if desired .



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## KEY INSTALLATION STEPS

- Touchwood Veneer Panelling CAN NOT be left raw. Panels must be finished with wax, oil or polyurethane in a finish of your choice. For convenience, you may choose to apply any finish prior to installation. Apply any finish as recommended by the coating manufacturer
- To begin installation, start from a corner and work across the wall. Measure walls and panels to check for square, and make any required adjustments
- For convenience, if you are joining panels together, insert the tongue into the groove prior to installing
- Apply a generous amount of construction adhesive to the mounting surface. Application of adhesive should be a continuous application on every stud, noggin, batten or a minimum of 450mm
- Position the panel on the wall
- Leave an appropriately sized gap at the end of the run of panels to ensure ease of installation. Gaps can be caulked after installation and coating
- Using a spirit level, ensure the sheet is accurately positioned
- Use a brad nail in every second groove at the top, bottom, and centre, no less than 10mm from the top and bottom of the panel, by hand or nail gun. The brads are designed to hold the panel in place until the glue takes hold and dries. For applications such as ceilings, more brads or appropriate fixings may be required
- You may also brad nail through the face of the panel and choose to apply putty to conceal any fixings
- The panels join using a tongue & groove system. Do not forcefully hit the sheets together. If required, gently tap sheets together using a block to diffuse hammer blows
- Repeat the previous steps to complete the installation of the next panel

- To finish the installation, cut the final panel using your measurements and fix into position
- Once the panels are fixed to the wall and the glue dried, remove any spacers.

## FINISHING

- Use putty to fill in any nail holes, if desired
- We recommend moulded products from either Tasmanian Oak or Blackwood
- Apply any finish as recommended by the coating manufacturer.



## ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

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

[touchwoodproducts.com.au/panelling](https://touchwoodproducts.com.au/panelling)

