



# timber cladding.

- Provides effective covering for exterior building facades
- Available completely factory pre-finished
- Creates decorative interiors
- Easy to fix
- Durability enhanced by using treatments and preservatives
- Environmentally friendly, low energy product.

## specifications

- Thicknesses from 8mm (interior use generally) up to 50mm (exterior use)
- Widths from 100 - 175mm
- Lengths from 1200 - 5700mm



## species

A wide range of hardwoods and softwoods, including:

- Pine (or redwood)
- Spruce (or whitewood)
- Larch (can be used untreated)
- Western red cedar (can be used untreated).

## treatment

Softwoods, like pine and spruce, should be pressure treated with products such as Protim Clear Choice ([www.osmose.co.uk](http://www.osmose.co.uk)) or Vacsol Azure ([www.archtp.com](http://www.archtp.com)).

- Ultra violet light will bleach wood to a grey colour if it is not protected by a pigment coating
- Larch and western red cedar can be used untreated if the sapwood is excluded.

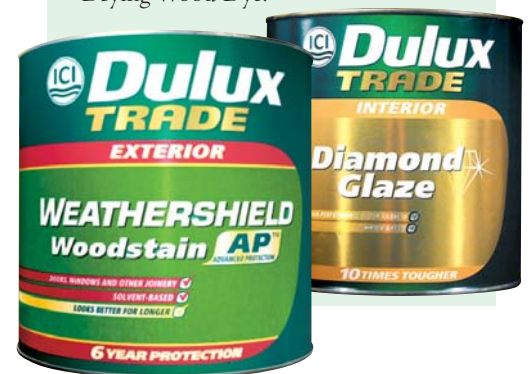
## finishes

### Exterior

- Woodstains such as Dulux Weathershield or Cuprinol decorative preserver

### Interior

- Water based lacquer such as Dulux Diamond Glaze
- Water based dye such as Dulux Quick Drying Wood Dye.



## fixing tips

- Ensure any cut ends of cladding are treated with preservative
- Fix onto pre-treated battens
- Battens should be at least 38mm wide, 19mm thick and fixed at 600mm centres
- Ensure joints meet centrally on a batten
- Allow for draining and ventilation in the cladding
- Use timber at least 150mm wide
- Use tongued and grooved or rebated cladding for vertical installation
- Use shiplap style cladding for horizontal installation
- Always base coat the back of the cladding before fixing
- Consult BS EN 350 for durability of specific species.

## pre-finished interior cladding

- Provides sound and heat insulation
- Helps maintain a healthier living environment
- Helps maintain humidity levels and can be used in bathrooms
- Creates decorative effects
- Ready supplied with factory applied finishes
- Available in kit forms for wainscot effect
- Easy fitting with pre-manufactured fixing clips.





## plywood for cladding

- Strong, light and stable
- Spruce and birch plywood ideal for use in wall construction
- For structural use, ensure plywood complies with BS 5268-2:2002
- Use top quality birch plywood for a decorative finish for interior walls
- Good acoustic properties
- Highly durable
- Provides increased rigidity and load-bearing capacity for wall structures
- Can be prefinished with stains/varnishes and paints
- Always seal bottom edges of sheets in contact with the floor.



## specification

- Standard panel sizes: 1220mm wide x 2440/3050/3660mm
- Standard panel thicknesses: 4/6.5/9/12/15/18/21/24/27/30mm
- Recommended thickness for wall and ceiling panelling is 12mm.



## fixing methods

- Joints: decide if you want concealed joints or features
- Panel gaps: leave an expansion gap between panels to allow for changing moisture levels
- Supports: space supports between 400/600mm centres
- Fastenings: use wood screws, nails, adhesives or machined profiles. Use screw lengths of 2.5 to 3 times the panel thickness
- Fixing: leave a fixing distance from the edge of the panel of at least the panel's thickness. Nails and screws to be at 150mm centres along the edges, 300mm elsewhere.

## for more information

Technical information • [www.trada.co.uk](http://www.trada.co.uk) Timber cladding • [www.tmtgroup.co.uk](http://www.tmtgroup.co.uk) Plywood • [www.finnforest.com](http://www.finnforest.com) • [www.wisa.com](http://www.wisa.com)  
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