

# Xylem Planter

## Technical Specifications

**Tait.**

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A modular planting system which forms a conduit between plants and people. The Xylem collection leans on biophilic design principles - ensuring people have access to fresh air, natural light, plants and nature-inspired spaces.

- Residential Orders: 8 - 10 weeks + Delivery
- Commercial Order (based on quantity): 10 - 12 weeks + Delivery
- For orders outside Australia, please contact [international@madebytait.com.au](mailto:international@madebytait.com.au)

'Xylem' itself is a biological term referring to the branch-like vascular tissue in plants that transports nutrients from roots to leaves, and allows them to photosynthesise. Borrowing from this concept, the Xylem collection is a system that intimately connects people with the health-promoting benefits of plants.

While predominantly designed for the workplace, urban realm, schools, universities, shopping centres and healthcare facilities, the collection can also be used in residential applications to incorporate informal seating and greenery. And, as we find ourselves looking to bring the "outdoors-in" more and more to enhance our relationship with nature, the collection is just as relevant indoors as it is outdoors.

Xylem is formed with folded, anti-corrosive, recyclable aluminium, making it extremely strong and durable. The base is formed from glass-reinforced concrete, providing superior durability and ample weight, making it ideal to withstand use in public, high-traffic and wind-prone sites. The Xylem Pod Timber Lid is crafted from sustainable FSC® sourced Spotted Gum.

Internally, the Planters' base acts as a waterproof reservoir - with an option for a self-watering Wicking Plate (aiding plant maintenance). The Planters have also been expertly designed for indoor use - the drainage hole in the base may be plugged to prevent water leakage. A stylish Mulch Plate can also be selected, supporting standard-sized, sealed flower pots. This way, potted plants can be placed inside the sealed flower pots and maintained. The Mulch Plate is beautiful left visible, or the user may wish to hide it by placing mulch on top of the plate.


All Tait pieces are made locally and come with a 5-year structural warranty.


Tait's original designs are protected under design registration and copyright.





POWDER COAT


TEXTURED POWDER COAT COLOURS









































Banksia Leaf  
Textured

Black  
Textured

Burgundy Clay  
Textured

Core Ten  
Textured

Deep Ocean  
Textured

Headland  
Textured

Jasper  
Textured

Monument  
Textured

Ochre  
Textured

Pale Eucalypt  
Textured

Paperbark  
Textured

Surfmist  
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Teal Sea  
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White  
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Woodland Grey  
Textured

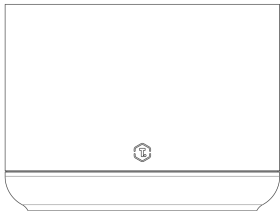
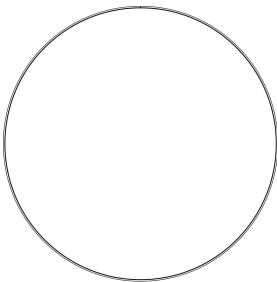
PLANTER ACCESSORIES

- None
- With Mulch Plate
- With Pod Timber Lid
- With Wicking Plate

PLANTER 600DIA X 450 H

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450mm<sub>h</sub>

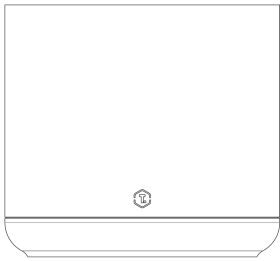
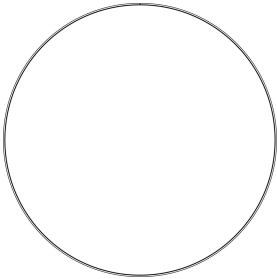
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PLANTER 600DIA X 550H

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550mm<sub>h</sub>

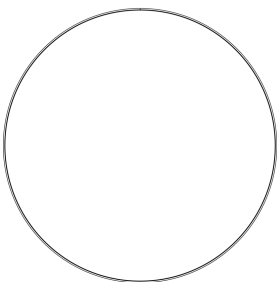
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PLANTER 600DIA X 650H

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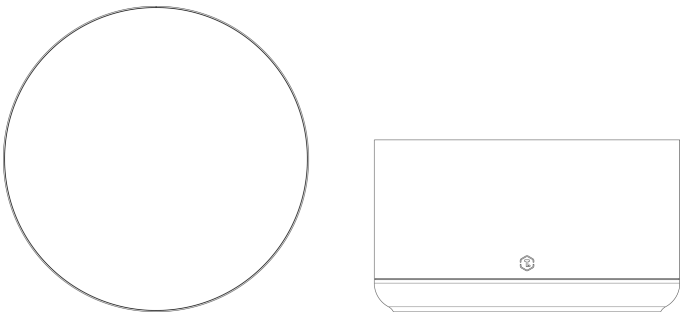
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PLANTER 800DIA X 450H

800mm<sub>w</sub>  
450mm<sub>H</sub>

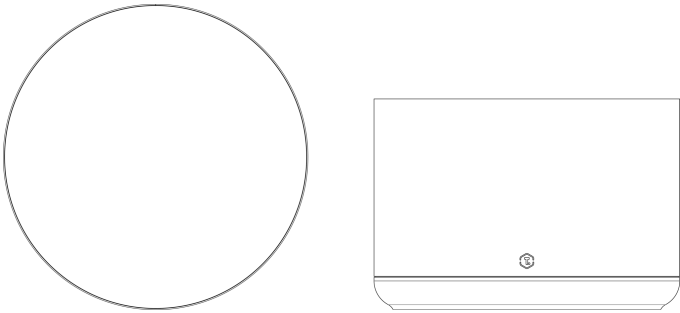
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PLANTER 800DIA X 550H

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550mm<sub>H</sub>

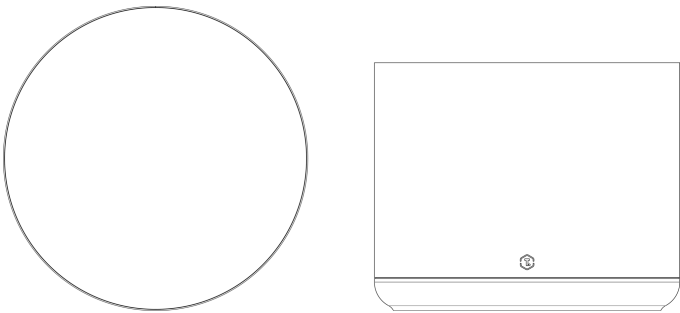
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PLANTER 800DIA X 650H

800mm<sub>w</sub>  
650mm<sub>H</sub>

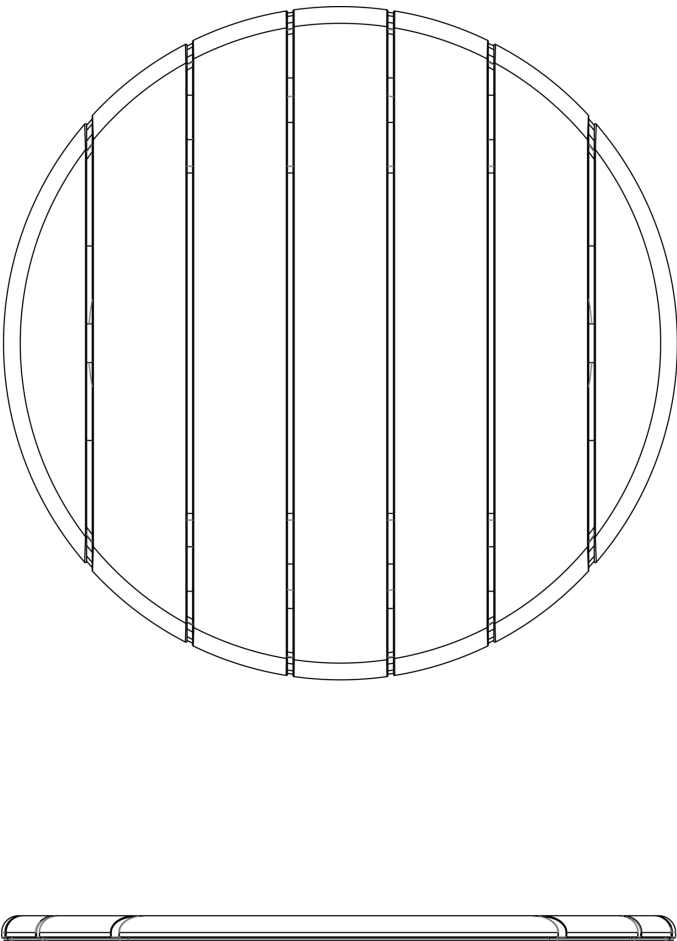
86.5in W x 34.25in D x 26.5in. H



POD TIMBER LID

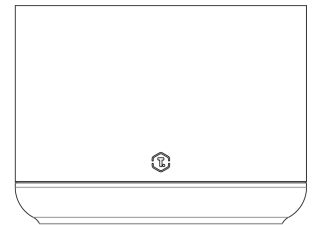
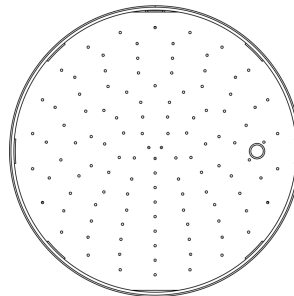
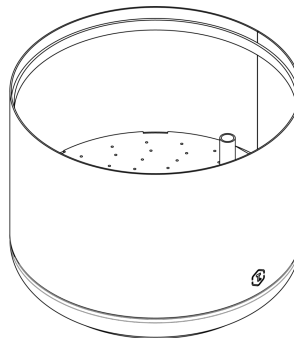
25mm<sub>H</sub>

86.5in W x 34.25in D x 26.5in. H  
Available in 600 or 800dia Sustainable FSC® sourced Spotted Gum Self-locating within planter base



## WICKING PLATE

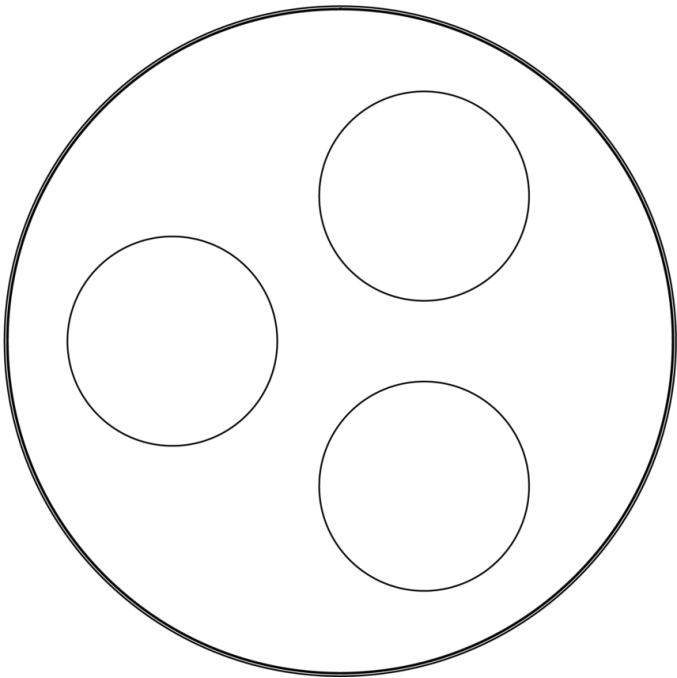
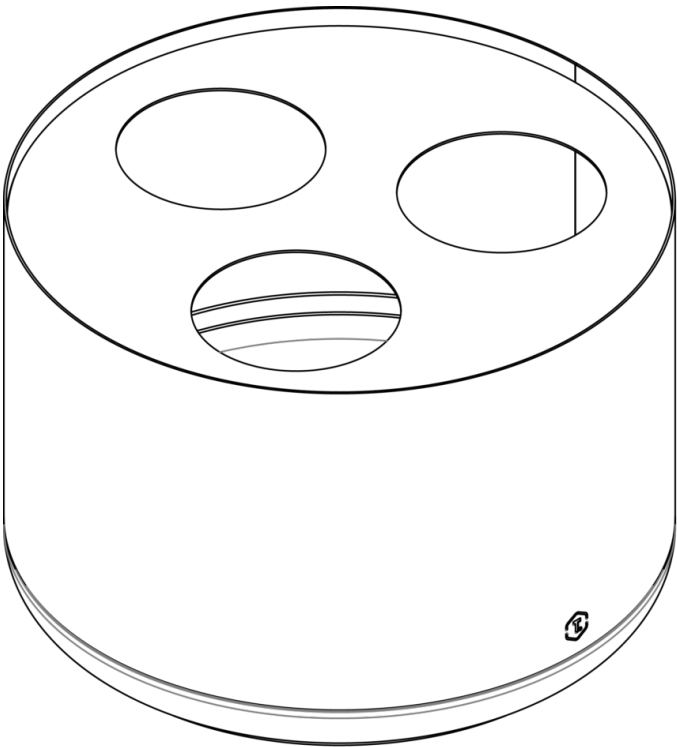
Available in: 600dia x 450/ 550/ 650 H 800 dia x 450/ 550/ 650 H Black textured powder coat finish





MULCH PLATE

Available in 600 or 800dia Fits x3 standard 200mm flower pots Black textured powder coat finish





# How to care for your Xylem Planter



## GENERAL CARE

The holy grail of outdoor furniture manufacturing is finding those mystical materials that neither weather nor fade under the extreme conditions of the great Australian outdoors. At Tait, we will not rest in our quest to find them, but in the meantime, we will keep on using the most premium materials we have at our disposal and tell you how to keep them at their best.

Here at Tait, our purpose is simple. To make beautiful outdoor furniture that's designed to last – at least – a lifetime. Our craft is combining high-performance materials, robust and durable enough to withstand the diverse Australian elements, with timeless, cutting-edge design in order to elevate the outdoor experience.

Put simply, Tait is where handmade, high-end design meets down-to-earth performance.

Like owning a luxury car, some TLC on your part will keep your Tait pieces ship shape, allowing them to weather and age gracefully over the seasons. The frequency of maintenance will vary depending on your personal standards and requirements as well as the environment in which the products live.

Careless handling, treatment or misuse of our products can result in damage and is not covered under our manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the materials and finishes relevant to your product as outlined.

## EXCLUSIONS

The warranty does not cover damage from mishandling, misuse, physical or chemical abuse, by not following proper care and maintenance instructions, accidental damage, damage from chipping, cracking, impact damage or breaking due to customer abuse.

- The warranty does not cover fading or natural ageing of the timber, non-structural defects in the timber, naturally occurring timber features, surface and end checking, or lack of maintenance leading to an acceleration of any of these issues.
- The warranty does not cover corrosion originating from scratches or abrasions that result from general wear and tear and which cannot be removed via standard cleaning and maintenance processes.
- The warranty does not cover any occurrence of any detritus, organic or man-made matter settling on the product surface. The warranty excludes buildup of mineral deposits leaching from soils and fertilisers, should it occur on Tait's planters. Nor does this warranty cover any product corrosion directly caused by aforementioned matter.
- The warranty does not cover minor corrosion spots at the weld joints: under table tops, bases and seat frames. These do not affect the structural integrity of the product and are a natural outcome of the material used.
- The warranty does not cover the corrosion of steel furniture and parts, including stainless steel, as a result of direct use in harsh seafront locations or in a confined, chlorinated environment.
- The warranty does not apply to normal wear and tear or natural fading of the materials used.
- The warranty does not apply to any variances in colour, shade or gloss level of finishes, stone tops and timbers.
- The warranty does not cover products that the customer decides they do not like following delivery, including to colour, fabric, timber or other opinions based on personal preference.
- Tait shall not be liable for, and specifically excludes, any claims caused directly or indirectly by any event or matter beyond its control, including incidental, consequential or contingent damages suffered as a result of the use of the furniture or a breach of this warranty either written or implied.
- All products purchased at a sale price are subject to the specific warranty conditions outlined on sale invoice.
- The warranty does not cover transportation costs for replacement parts and products or labour costs for repair. These costs may be charged at our discretion.
- The warranty does not cover goods which have been held in storage for any period. This is due to the potential impact of environmental extremities which may be present within certain storage facilities.

Please note: Tait cannot provide product refurbishment requests or non-urgent warranties during the period of October 1st – January 30th.

The above Tait warranty terms are accepted by the customer and end-user upon order and supply.

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## POWDER COAT

### CARE & MAINTENANCE

Wash regularly with warm soapy water and mild detergent using a soft cloth. For commercial, industrial or marine environments we recommend monthly maintenance. Always rinse well with water, to remove any remaining detergent.

Avoid steam cleaning, pressure washing, abrasive cleansers, steel brushes/wools and cleaners containing chlorine. Avoid scratching the surface by dry dusting. Never use strong solvents to clean powder coated surfaces. Aggressive solvents such as turpentine, white spirits, thinners, citrus based cleaners, Spray and Wipe, and other aggressive solvents are harmful to the extended life of the powder coated surface. Dull surfaces can be revived using a cream cleanser or car polish. Do not allow detritus, organic or man-made matter to settle on the product surface. We recommend removing any buildup of mineral deposits leaching from soils and fertilisers, should it occur on Tait's planters.

Rough treatment of powder-coated furniture can result in chipping of the coated surface; this is not covered under warranty.

Most Tait products come with protective fittings – stacking glides, bumpers, socks/feet and glides. These aid in protection against chipping and scratching. Powder coated stacking chairs are

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designed to be set in place gently.

Touch-up paint may be purchased on request. It is advisable to repair minor nicks and scratches as soon as they appear.

When placing a furniture cover over a table for an extended period of time, it is recommended to first place an empty plastic pot plant in the centre of the table, then placing the furniture cover over the top. This will prevent the possibility of the furniture cover adhering to the table surface.

Should you wish to touch up any blemishes which may occur, please contact your nearest Tait showroom and request a Powder Coat Touch Up Kit. Please follow our Powder Coat Touch Up Guide (available under 'Dimensions and Specs - Download Assets' on the product page) for application details.

## WARRANTY

Powder coat is a decorative finish for indoor and outdoor use. While it assists with metal protection, it is not a corrosion protection in its own right. The components of Tait powder coated products are produced in either aluminium, stainless steel or mild steel.

The mild steel base materials are treated with two levels of pre-protection that guard against corrosion. The products are then powder coated to make the surface resistant to corrosion and suitable for use in exterior environments.

Minor corrosion spots at the weld joins - under table tops, bases and seat frames, may be evident on mild steel products. These do not affect the structural integrity of the product and are not covered by the Tait warranty.

Whilst every care is taken to provide the most suitable finish according to the use and the environment the product will be subjected to, Tait cannot guarantee this decorative finish against scratching, scuffing, chipping, fading or corrosion as a result of use in harsh seafront, extreme or environments where chlorine is present.

Tait offer a range of powder coat colours which offer excellent UV stability and are suitable for use in outdoor applications. Whilst powder coat offers excellent colour retention, natural fading is not covered under the Tait warranty. To ensure longevity of this finish please refer to the care and maintenance.

The warranty does not cover any occurrence of detritus, organic or man-made matter settling on the product surface. The warranty also excludes buildup of mineral deposits leaching from soils and fertilisers, should it occur on the surface of Tait's planters. Nor does this warranty cover any product corrosion directly caused by aforementioned matter.

Tait assume no responsibility for product damage caused by the use of furniture covers.

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## GRC

### CARE & MAINTENANCE

Aside from its immediately obvious visual and tactile appeal, Glass Reinforced Concrete is highly durable, strong and lightweight, versatile and environmentally friendly.

Put simply, Glass Reinforced Concrete (GRC) offers twice the strength of regular cast concrete at around half the thickness and weight (roughly speaking) meaning that, in more ways than one, it treads far more lightly on the earth than the heavier alternative.

To clean GRC, Tait recommends using warm soapy water and a scrubbing brush.

Tait do not recommend cleaning any GRC with high-pressure water.

It is important to ensure that the footing upon which the GRC modules rest is level. Should leveraging stresses occur where the substrate is not level (or becomes un-level), warranty may be voided.

Careless handling, treatment or misuse of our products can result in damage and is not covered under our manufacturer's warranty.

## WARRANTY

Each hand-finished module presents its own unique character. Slight irregularities of the product finish between modules are considered a natural aspect of the manufacturing process and add to the beauty of the product. Any irregularities in the finish of the GRC are not covered under warranty.

The GRC is not covered under warranty for graffiti, damage from skateboards, bicycles and so forth, vandalism, staining or water penetration damage. Where Tait's Care, Maintenance and installation guidelines have not been adhered to, warranty may be void.

Scape's modules are manufactured to exacting international standards, complying with the "Specification for the Manufacture, Curing & Testing of Glassfibre Reinforced Concrete (GRC) Products" produced by the International Glassfibre Reinforced Concrete Association (GRCA) in the UK.

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## SUSTAINABLE TIMBER

### CARE & MAINTENANCE

Tait select premium Accoya Timber and Smoked Oak engineered timbers that provide superior rot-resistance, defy the elements and stay strong for decades and are manufactured using clean technologies and sustainably sourced.

Accoya® Timber is modified by acetylation. Acetylation is a non-toxic process in which radiata pine is soaked in an organic compound related to vinegar, making the wood more resistant to moisture, insects, and rot.

Smoked Oak is thermally modified timber. Thermally modified timber is heated using a totally 'green' chemical-free process to permanently change its properties. Essentially, the timber stops absorbing water and becomes a stable, durable product that resists shrinkage, swelling, decay, rot, mould and insect attack.

Tait's Accoya® and Smoked Oak timber products are coated with the Teknos® water-based Coating System which has been specially formulated for use on high-performance timbers and further assists in protecting the timber from mould, fungus and green algae.

The Teknos® Coating System includes a factory-applied, water-based primer which provides an initial layer of weatherproof protection. The timber is then finished with a water-based topcoat which is available in either a natural/clear finish or a range of translucent tinted colours.

The Teknos® Coating System provides the best level of trans-seasonal UV and moisture protection for your outdoor furniture short of an actual cover.

To comply with warranty requirements, cleaning and maintenance of timbers are obligatory. Please ensure you can prove that care and maintenance has been performed as described below.

Every 3 – 6 months

Depending on finish and exposure, inspect the coated timber for signs of colour loss, dryness and weathering. Re-coat the timber when it begins to show signs of dryness, this helps to maintain its natural beauty and to protect the surface.

DO NOT sand the timber

Every 6 – 12 months

Surface clean the wooden elements of your outdoor furniture pieces at least twice a year. Wash the surfaces thoroughly with clean water to remove dust, grime and insects. A build-up of dust and grime can lead to the increased growth of green algae and other surface fouling.

Recoating your timber

To restore the original appearance of timber please [contact your nearest Tait showroom](#) to request a maintenance kit and follow the Teknos Finish Reapplication Guide (under "Dimension Specs – Download Assets" on the product page).

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### WARRANTY

Accoya® timber is perfect for exterior furniture applications. The Accoya® timber component is covered for 1 year from the date of purchase, subject to proper maintenance by the purchaser and fair wear and tear. Accoya timber is treated Radiata Pine, is a softwood therefore subject to denting.

Smoked Oak is a thermally modified timber. The Smoked Oak timber component is covered for 1 year from the date of purchase, subject to proper maintenance by the purchaser and fair wear and tear.

End and surface checking may appear and is not claimable under warranty.

Any changes in the visual appearance of timber that are directly linked to ageing are not covered by warranty. As timber is a living material, the appearance of its surface evolves naturally over time.

Tait recommends regular maintenance with Teknos coating to reduce colour loss, dryness and weathering. Engineered timbers that have been treated with tinted Teknos coating may fade when placed in direct sunlight. This is not covered by the Tait warranty.

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## SUITABLE FOR



OUTDOORS



HIGH UV



COASTAL

## FEATURES



MADE IN AUSTRALIA



RECYCLABLE MATERIALS



SUSTAINABLE TIMBER



5 YEAR WARRANTY