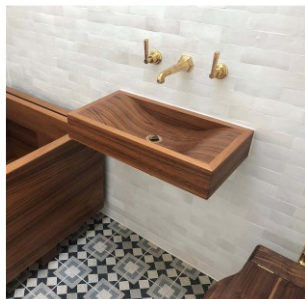
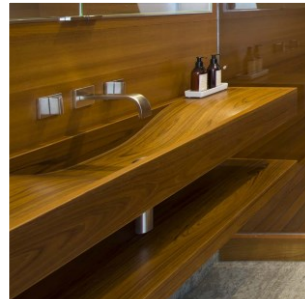
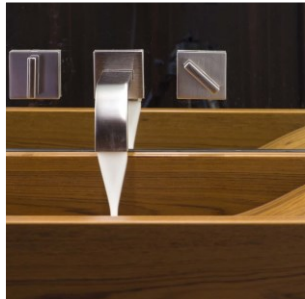




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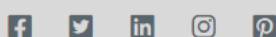


Our journey with waterproof wood started more than 40 years ago with an enquiry for a timber sink, but the story goes back over 300 years...

When porcelain first arrived here from China at the end of the 17th century it was highly prized, very expensive and extremely fragile, far too delicate to wash in the stone sinks of the time. Hence the need for a timber sink. They were made first of oak, then of teak. They leaked like sieves but the timber was soft enough not to break the porcelain and soon every household wealthy enough to own pieces of porcelain had one.

We re-engineered the traditional design to make it unfailingly reliable, and over the years have developed a series of companion designs for baths, basins, shower trays and tiles using the same technology.

In the information that follows please note that in all categories we can design and make bespoke items in addition to the core items described here. Contact to discuss your options.



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FINISHES & CARE GUIDE - at a glance

Samples available on request

MARINE LACQUER

This finish is a specially formulated PU lacquer with a 10% gloss level.

- Our lowest maintenance finish.
- Duckboards and shower trays are finished with a non-slip version of the lacquer.
- Can be cleaned with standard limescale removers that are non-abrasive and do not contain bleach.
- Please consider - should the lacquer be damaged it would need to be promptly repaired professionally.

OIL

Our oiled sinks are finished with a biocide free, vegetable based, food safe teak oil.

- Easy application of oil for maintenance and refreshing of finish.
- Ensured longevity and water tightness even if heavy pans and sharp objects are dropped.
- Simple cleaning with non-scratch scouring pad and/or microfibre cloths in direction of the grain.
Chemical cleaners not recommended.
- Please consider - requires regular oil application for effective protection.

HOT WASHED

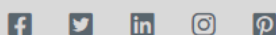
A hot wash finish is timber in its most natural state. Our hot wash process ensures the timber stays smooth and tactile even when repeatedly wetted. Hot washed teak will gently patinate over time.

- Ensured longevity and water tightness, even if heavy or sharp objects land on it.
- Can be cleaned with Vim scouring powder and microfibre cloths in working in grain direction.
- Please consider – the unprotected nature of the timber means it is prone to staining

Limescale

Please be aware if our products are to be fitted in hard water areas, we strongly recommend the installation of a water softener. Due to darker timber tones and open grain nature of teak, lime scale will be more easily visible on our products than on traditionally white ceramic items.

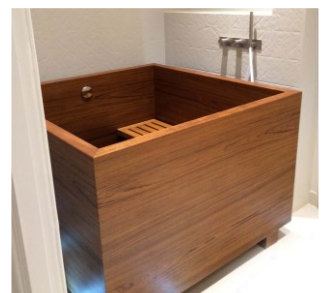
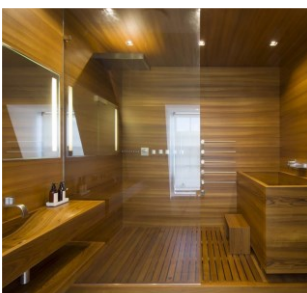
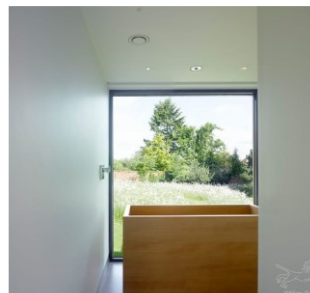
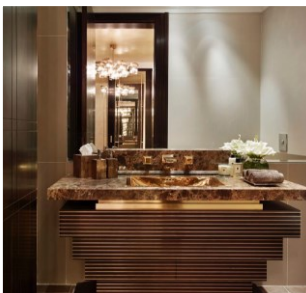
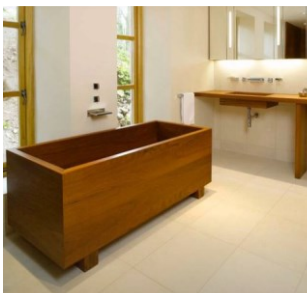
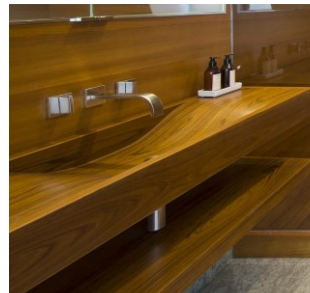
**Hot wash only available for Teak Duckboards*





More detail

'Horses for Courses' - We offer three different finishes for our work. They have different strengths and weaknesses and it is worth thinking carefully about the sort of performance you need and level of care and maintenance you are prepared to carry out. If you live in a hard water area we strongly recommend fitting a water softener as limescale will be more visible on timber surfaces than on white ceramics or composites.





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Low-gloss Marine Lacquer

This is a 10% sheen factory applied PU lacquer on a specially formulated base coat which has unparalleled adhesion to the timber substrate. It is tough and hard wearing and can be cleaned using standard non-abrasive bathroom cleaners such as CIF or Mr Muscle. An occasional application of clear OSMO polyx oil



or Teak Oil will lift the appearance and touch up minor blemishes. More significant damage to the polish film will require attention from a professional polisher. The use of Limescale remover is compatible with this finish.

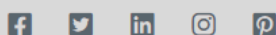
We add a non-slip compound to the finish when making shower trays, duckboards and floors.

Remember, all furniture lacquers are glass hard compounds sitting on a (relatively) soft wood substrate. Any blow hard enough to compress the timber carries with it the risk of breaking the lacquer film. Thus lacquer is a beautiful but fragile finish that needs care taken to preserve its looks. It needs the same quality of care as an enamelled tub.



Marine finish is the closest we can offer to a maintenance free surface. In the bathroom its performance is similar to that of a ceramic basin.

In summary, easy and convenient to live with as long as care is taken but the repair of damage is quite a performance.





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Oil

We use OSMO teak oil. It is a high-quality product formulated without biocides and is food safe when cured. This is one of a family vegetable based products which combine ease of application and a good resistance to water with ease of repair.

Regular application is necessary to maintain effective protection of the timber surface Limescale remover will strip oil finish back to the bare wood.



There is no doubt it is hard work to maintain an oil polish that is repeatedly soaked as in a basin. But it is a perfectly practical proposition in a piece of furniture that is no more than wiped clean with a damp cloth. In the early days a piece of furniture will benefit from regular oiling, but fairly rapidly the combination of oil, dust, light and oxidation that is the basis if patination will work its magic and within a year or two the surface will require almost no attention.

In summary this finish requires a regular maintenance regime but it is wonderfully easy to repair.





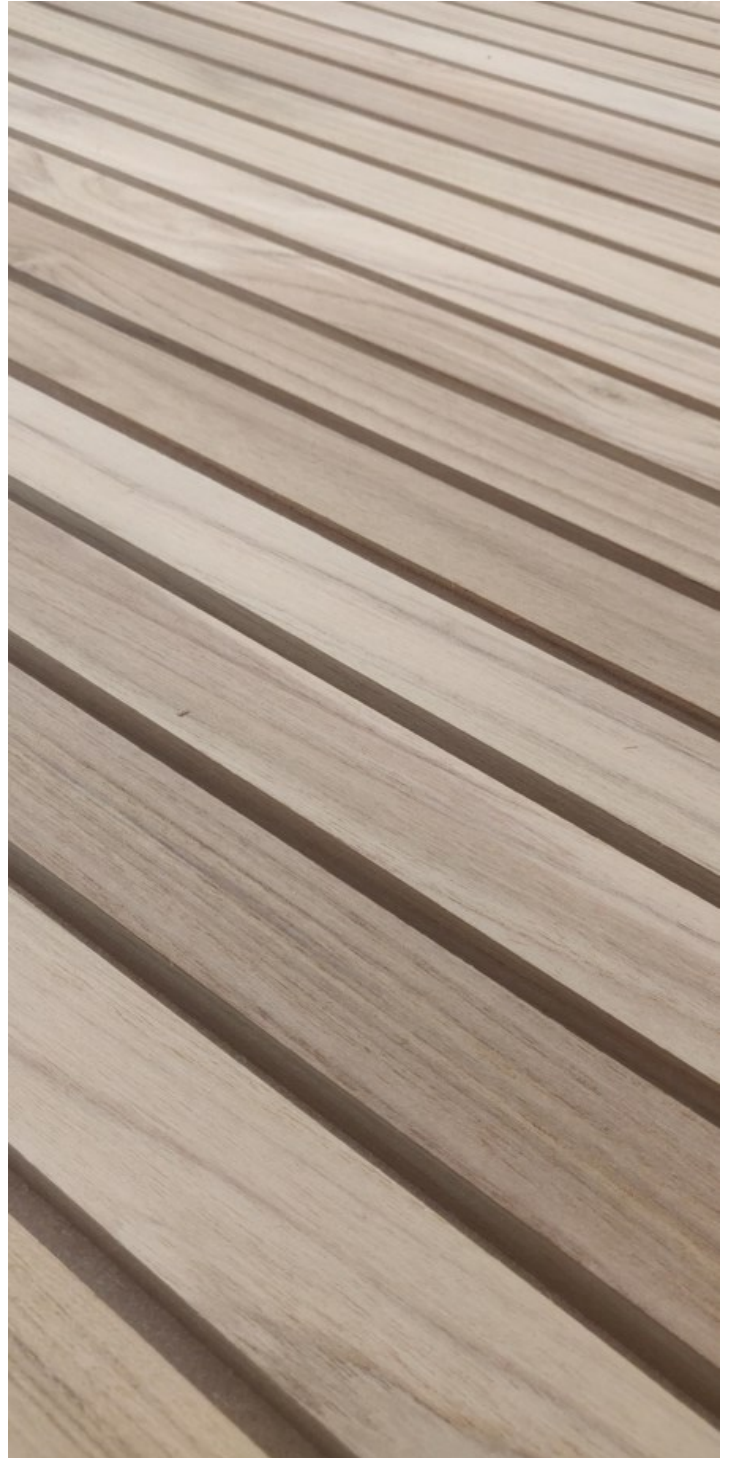
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Teak is an exceptionally durable timber and it does not need the protection of polish to survive for a long time, even in a wet environment. Our Hot Wash finish repeatedly wets and flattens the timber until the impact of water no longer raises the grain. The result is a perfectly natural surface to the timber, stable and hand kindly. For cleaning we use VIM, a traditional scouring powder which has a slight bleaching effect.

Be aware that unpolished teak will absorb stains. However, Vim on a pan scourer is a highly effective cleaner, and this, combined with the effects of light and oxidation helps to soften stains. Teak treated in this way ages beautifully.

In sum: this is 'the don't worry about it' finish. It is not smart, but, particularly in hard working environments, it allows the great qualities of teak to come to the fore. It will grow old well.



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William Garvey Bespoke Furniture have been manufacturing the finest quality furniture for more than 50 years. We have worked with interior designers, architects, contractors and private individuals on super-yachts, villas, houses and apartments both in the U.K. and across the World.

Our company was borne out of Bill's skill and passion as a cabinet maker of distinction, originally manufacturing bespoke wooden furniture for clients in Devon.

Over the years the company has grown, as has our reputation for producing the finest pieces of furniture.

Wood is still the starting point for many of our projects and pieces of furniture, however we now regularly use a huge range of other materials in order to create the perfect pieces for our customers homes.

Please contact us to discuss your ideas.

