## Composite decking - Introductory information and pricing



There are many different brands and types of deck boards available on the market. Of all of them, we install only a small

number based on a set of criteria that eliminates many problems that might otherwise be experienced by our clients

Thank you for your composite deck enquiry. The information below will help you to make an informed decision about which brand of board to use and also provide information on the substructure and other elements of deck construction.

over time.

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**Composite deck boards** 

**Board Types** 

PVC

Polyurethane

**Polyvinyl Chloride** 

Polymer resin and hardener

|   | Trex<br>Transcend      | Trex Lineage           | Millboard                              | Azek<br>Vintage        | Azek<br>Prime          | NexGen                 | WoodEvo<br>Advanced    | WoodEvo<br>Home<br>(Base range)   |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Price   | Med                    | Med                    | High                                   | High                   | Med                    | Med                    | Budget                 | Budget                            |
| Warranty  | 50 yrs<br>Fade & stair | 50 yrs<br>Fade & stain | 25 yrs<br>Fade & stain                 | 50 yrs<br>Fade & stain | 25 yrs<br>fade & stain | 50 yrs<br>Fade & stain | 30 yrs<br>Fade & stain | 25yrs<br>Fade & stain             |
| Scratch<br>resistance                                       | High                   | Medium                 | Medium                                 | Medium                 | High                   | High                   | Medium                 | High                              |
| Range name  | Transcend              | Lineage                | Enhanced<br>Weathered                  | Vintage                | Prime                  | Select                 | Home<br>advanced       | Home                              |
| No of colours   | 7                      | 4                      | 10                                     | 5                      | 3                      | 3                      | 5                      | 8                                 |
| Hidden<br>fasteners   | Yes                    | Yes                    | Not needed                             | Yes<br>Plugs           | Yes<br>Plugs           | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                               |
| Colour<br>matched plugs                                     | Yes                    | Yes                    | Not needed                             | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | No                                |
| Square edge<br>boards                                       | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                               |
| Grooved<br>boards   | Yes                    | Yes                    | Not needed                             | No                     | Yes                    | yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                               |
| Board widths  | 140 mm                 | 140 mm                 | 176 mm<br>200 mm                       | 140mm<br>184mm         | 136mm                  | 137 mm                 | 140 mm<br>200 mm       | 140 mm<br>200 mm                  |
| Board lengths   | 5.4 m                  | 5.4 m                  | 3.6 m                                  | 4.8m & 6m              | 4.88 & 6.1 m           | 3.6 m                  | 5.4 m                  | 5.4 m (140<br>mm)<br>3.6 (200 mm) |
| Fascia boards   | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                                    | yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                    | Yes                               |
| Edge boards   | No                     | No                     | Yes                                    | No                     | Yes                    | No                     | No                     | No                                |
| Joist spacing   | 450mm                  | 450mm                  | 375mm                                  | 400 mm                 | 400mm                  | 400 mm                 | 400mm                  | 400mm                             |
| Bal rating  | 29                     | 29                     | 19                                     | 29                     | 29                     | 19                     | 29                     | 29                                |
| Made in   | USA                    | USA                    | υк                                     | USA                    | USA                    | USA                    | China                  | China                             |
| Heat Index  | A/C                    | B/C                    | A/B                                    | С                      | А                      | А                      | С                      | A/B                               |
| Board Type  | PWC                    | PWC                    | Polyurethan<br>e                       | PVC                    | PWC                    | PWC                    | PVC                    | PWC                               |
| A Cooler than concrete & tiles. A little hotter than timber |                        |                        | n timber d                             | ecking                 |                        |                        |                        |                                   |
| Heat Index B  |                        | в с                    | Cooler than concrete, tiles and timber |                        |                        |                        |                        |                                   |
| C Noticeably cooler than concrete, tiles and timber         |                        |                        | ber                                    |                        |                        |                        |                        |                                   |
| PWC Plastic wood composite                                  |                        |                        |  |                        |                        |                        |                        |                                   |

Nexgen



Azek



Millboard



WoodEvo Home



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#### Substructure types

#### H3 treated timber (LOSP treated)

- this is the most economical substructure type of timber for outdoor works
- it is best suited to where there is good ground clearance and ventilation
- it cannot be used where it can be affected by water; attached to a concrete slab, sitting on the ground or where
  water may pond and cause moisture to accumulate
- it cannot be installed into the ground as a post for example
- all cut ends and penetrations need to be retreated on site
- you can expect a 20 to 30 year lifespan if installed correctly under the right conditions
- top of joist flashing is recommended to seal the top of the joist against water penetration through the screw holes used to hold the deck boards in place

#### H4 treated timber (CCA)

- this timber has a warranted life span of 50 years
- it is suitable for external use where there is not a lot of height clearance or where water (moisture) may be an issue.
- It is the best option for pool and low to the ground decks (Closer than 350 mm 35 centimetres to the ground)
- it is more expensive than H3 timber
- top of joist flashing is recommended to seal the top of the joist against water penetration through the screw holes used to hold the deck boards in place

#### Hardwood

- Is quite expensive but can last up to 60 years if installed properly
- it can be hard to work with because of its hardness and will add time and labour costs to the installation process.
- some screw fittings will need to be predrilled because of its hardness
- it will span longer distances than pine, so less timber may be needed
- it is not suitable for some deck boards that are installed with 304 stainless steel screws

#### Aluminium

- is a recent addition to deck substructure construction
- It is more expensive than H3 or H4 timber
- it has a long lifespan
- it is especially useful on sites where termites may be a problem
- it is not suitable for some deck boards such as Millboard
- deck boards may move on it on a hot day and it may require additional fittings to stop the boards moving.

#### **Galvanized steel**

- is usually more expensive than H3 and H4 timber
- It is often used in high termite areas
- It is often preferred in high BAL rating areas
- it has a good cross bracing system for for sloping sites
- it will span longer distances than H3 and H4 timber and is very durable
- it can have an industrial look and the sides of the deck will look better if covered with fascia boards
- the beams and joists can be powder coated for a more aesthetic appeal





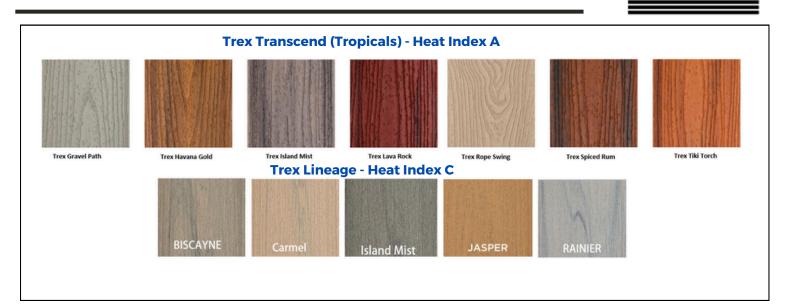


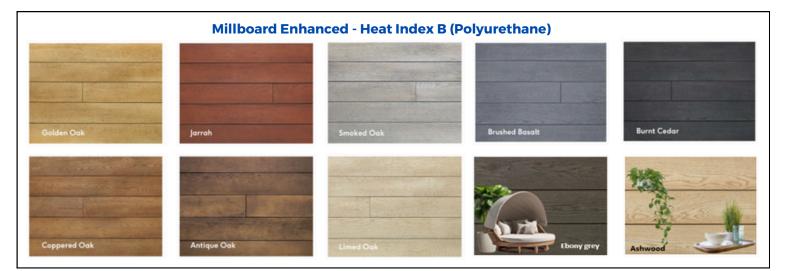






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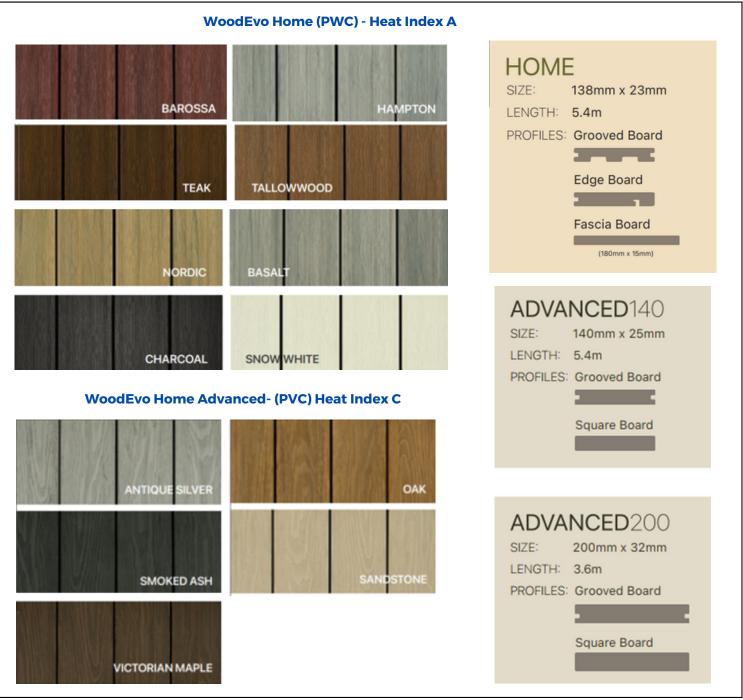




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## Composite decking price guide - supply and install for decks 50 centimetres or less above ground

| Board type               | Square metre rate         | GST   | Total GST Inclusive | Maintenance |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------|---------------------|-------------|
| Trex Transcend           | \$832                     | \$83  | \$915               | \$0.00      |
| Trex Lineage             | \$832                     | \$83  | \$915               | \$0.00      |
| Millboard Enhanced       | \$1019                    | \$102 | \$1121              | \$0.00      |
| WoodEvo Advanced         | \$759                     | \$76  | \$835               | \$0.00      |
| WoodEvo Home             | \$738                     | \$74  | \$812               | \$0.00      |
| NexGen Select            | \$836                     | \$84  | \$919               | \$0.00      |
| Azek Vintage             | \$1,024                   | \$102 | \$1,127             | \$0.00      |
| Azek Prime               | \$773                     | \$77  | \$851               | \$0.00      |
| H4 Substructure          | Ac                        |       |                     |             |
| Stainless Steel Fittings | Add \$75 per square metre |       |                     |             |

#### Inclusions in the price guide above

| Site supervisor                   | Deck board of choice                        |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Qualified installation team       | Project waste removal                       |  |  |
| Gtape flashing - Joist protection | Piers - Concrete or other                   |  |  |
| 10 year warranty on installation  | H3 Substructure/all galvanized attachhments |  |  |
| Product warranties                | Gtape flashing - Joist protection           |  |  |
| Public Liabilty Insurance         | Tannalised eco spray - timber protection    |  |  |
| All deliveries                    | Hidden Fasteners/Colour matched plugs       |  |  |
| Project waste removal             | Project design/Cad drawings                 |  |  |

#### Exclusions in the price guide above

| Steps and stairs  | Handrails and balustrades            |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Fascia  | Benches and other features           |  |  |
| Stainless Steel fittings  | Decks more than 50 cm's above ground |  |  |
| Site access issues that require cranes, floor and wall protection for Strata units, etc |                                      |  |  |

| Pros and cons of Composite decking |                                    |  |  |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Pros                               | Cons                               |  |  |
| Very low maintenance costs if any  | WPC can be hotter than timber      |  |  |
| Long warranties - up to 50 years   | Not as natural looking as timber   |  |  |
| Stain resistant                    | Can feel different underfoot       |  |  |
| Quicker to install                 | Deep scratches can't be sanded out |  |  |
| Available in many colours          | PVC boards are easier to scratch   |  |  |

## Pre Site Inspection Information Composite decking



#### Accessories

Re treats cut ends of timber essential for H3 timber



Ecoseal Green Spray



Trex Connector Clip for Timber Substrate





Azek Stainless steel screws

For the top of jioists to prevent water damage. Essential for H3 timber



G-Tape Waterproofing Joist Protection 3040BK Black



Trex Connector Clip for Metal Substrate



Millboard Durafix Dtainless Steel scews