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Stalk Talk: Teragren Introduces Fine Bamboo Panels and Veneers as Upscale, Environmentally Sustainable Alternative for Cabinets, Furniture and Wall Coverings

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, Wash. – Bamboo, an exotic grass that grows up to a foot a day, is growing nearly as fast as a preferred surfacing material in homes and businesses throughout North America. Bainbridge Island, Wash.-based Teragren LLC, the company that introduced TimberGrass® – the nation’s leading bamboo flooring brand – a decade ago, is driving the next bamboo design trend with the introduction of panels and veneers for cabinets, furniture and wall coverings.

Teragren products are manufactured from a high-grade bamboo specie called Moso to ensure quality and maintain a consistent look throughout the company’s product line. The line includes 4’ x 8’ panels and veneers as well as site-finished and prefinished solid strip flooring, wide plank floors, and stair components. Unlike hardwood trees requiring 40 to 60 years to mature, bamboo grows to maturity in less than six years and is renewably harvested over and over from the same plants. Moso is not a food source for China’s panda population.

“Bamboo has a distinctive, yet attractive and subtle look that goes with a wide variety of design tastes,” said Ann Knight, vice president of marketing for Teragren. “Several leading furniture and cabinet makers are already using the material in their designs. The look of bamboo sells the product. The environmental story behind it puts the mind at ease.”

Teragren’s bamboo panels are available in 1’x 6’ and 4’x 8’ sizes in 1/4” or 1/8” and up to 3” thick. All sizes are offered in flat grain and vertical grain versions, and natural and caramelized colors. Veneers are available in custom dimensions up to 4’x 8’ in 1/4” or less thickness, and in a newly released 1/42” veneer with a high quality paper-backing.

All Teragren fine bamboo products are environmentally friendly and enjoy a prominent position with architects and designers. Visit www.teragren.com or call 800.929.6333 for more information.

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