

New Product Introduction

Bamboo Wide Plank Floating Floor with TeraLoc™ - patented berry self-locking system

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Teragren unveils Bamboo Wide Plank Floating Floor with Berry-Patented Self-Locking System

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, Wash. (October 1, 2004) – Teragren LLC, the nation's leading manufacturer of fine bamboo flooring, panels and veneer, announces the company's latest innovation- the first wide plank bamboo floating floor featuring TeraLoc™ -a berry-patented self-locking system requiring no adhesive. *STUDIO* will be featured at Surfaces 2005 with inventory available to Teragren nation-wide flooring distributors in early Fall 2004.

"2005 is going to be an incredible year for a rise in sales of quality bamboo flooring," said Ann Knight, Teragren's vice president of Marketing. "Our customers told us loud and clear that they wanted a quality, wide plank, self-locking product in bamboo. We listened and went to work to provide the best patented locking system available in bamboo flooring."

The 7-11/16" x 86-1/2" x nominal 5/8" flooring plank simplifies and speeds up the installation process and is designed to withstand the rigors of both residential and commercial environments. To maintain the same Teragren consistency in quality and color, the 5/32" bamboo veneer wear-layer is shipped from China, where the company's other bamboo products are manufactured, to their plant in Malaysia. The bamboo veneer is then applied to a hevea core given a second life after rubber harvest and Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)-certified eucalyptus or pine backing to form the flooring plank. Both plants are ISO 9001:2000 Certified and the more stringent environmental certification of ISO 14001. Bamboo is a highly sustainable and renewable resource and may be repeatedly harvested from the same plant.

STUDIO is available in both vertical grain and flat grains, natural or caramelized colors. A durable, 5-coat German finish system provides the wear protection of aluminum oxide with two polyurethane scratch-resistant topcoats for easy refinishing. The coating materials are water-based, solvent-free, 100% solids and non-off-gassing meeting the company's environmental mission. In addition to this, Teragren manufactures bamboo site-finished and prefinished solid strip flooring, 6' x 6" Wide Plank flooring, as well as coordinating flooring accessories, stair parts, panels and veneers under the Teragren brand name.

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