

A STUNNING DECK CAN TRANSFORM YOUR BACKYARD INTO AN OASIS

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One of HGTV's most popular renovations shows is Decked Out with Paul Lafrance. According to HGTV, homeowners recover 65 to 90 per cent of their investment by adding a gorgeous deck. In Calgary, builders, renovators and homeowners go to Kayu Canada for their outdoor renovation projects.

David Abbott, owner of Chinook Landscaping and Design wouldn't go anywhere else. "For every project we work on we use Kayu Canada," says Abbott. "Not only do they offer a superb selection, the best in Canada, but it's really about customer service and in this department, Kayu Canada excels."

Abbott isn't the only one praising its products and service.

One of downtown Vancouver's hippest urban outdoor dining patios also went with Kayu Canada for its award-winning outdoor deck.

"BOX Interior Design sought to create a warm and dramatic space for the Roof at Black+Blue and the Kayu flooring product was perfect for meeting the aesthetic and durability needs for this popular Vancouver venue," says Jay Brooks, principal at BOX Interior Design.

A family-run business, Kayu Canada specializes in some of the world's best and most durable premium exterior hardwood decking, fencing, interior hardwood flooring and related products that you can find in the world.

A general contractor by trade, Labelle discovered exotic wood decking in 1991 while on a cruise ship holiday. He was so impressed with the look and durability he started bringing it for his clients.

"Within three years, I shut down my contracting business because I was getting far too busy with the outdoor decking and fencing side of my company," says Labelle.

Not only were residential customers asking for it, architects and interior decorators around town and in B.C. discovered the beauty of the hardwoods Labelle imported. Some of the city's landmark public spaces are also decked out with Kayu, including the Calgary Riverwalk, Devonian Gardens and the Calgary Soldier's Memorial Poppy Plaza along the banks of the Bow River in Kensington.

While the beauty and durability of Kayu Canada wood are major reasons why homeowners and architects choose it, there is another deciding factor that makes Kayu a practical choice. All of its woods are flame and termite resistant, making them a safe and practical alternative to why people choose Kayu Canada over other less reliable and costly materials.

In addition, clients are surprisingly delighted to find out

that its exotic woods are comparable in price to that of cedar and composite plastics - yet they have no knots, are more durable, harder, resists scratches better and best of all they are gorgeous looking.

"These woods are low maintenance and able to withstand temperature and moisture differences year after year," says Labelle, adding the hardwoods will last upwards of 30 or 40 years.

Spring is the perfect time to start thinking about your dream deck. Discover how Kayu Canada can transform your deck into the ultimate outdoor space. For more information, Labelle and his team of professionals at Kayu Canada Inc. invite you to come and visit their expansive showroom and discover how they can transform your outdoor space into a beautiful outdoor sanctuary. Call 1-877-666-KAYU (5298) or visit www.kayu.ca.



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