

# VITEX

Vitex Cofassus



# Popular long-wearing timber decking with minimal bleed





Proven durability



Reduced bleeding of tannins

Vitex is sourced from community-based operations in the Solomon Islands and is predominantly used for hardwood decking throughout New Zealand. Vitex is a first cousin to the New Zealand Puriri (Vitex Lucens).

Vitex has reduced bleeding of tannins, meaning it is less likely to stain concrete and other hard surfaces when compared to other hardwood products such as Kwila.

Vitex is a durable hardwood, proven in commercial and residential applications. It has a consistent pale yellow-tan to creamy-grey appearance and will naturally age to a silver colour. The texture is fine and slightly lustrous with an even grain.

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## VITEX APPLICATIONS

Vitex has consistently good working and finishing properties, proven performance and a crisp, light appearance in outdoor applications such as:

- **Hardwood Decking** Vitex has Class 2 durability making it great for residential & commercial decking & boardwalks.
- Exterior posts & pergolas Vitex can be used in conjunction with decking in handrails, posts, beams, screening and pergolas which add to a great seamless and connected look.
- Battens & fencing Vitex's Class 2 durability makes it an ideal choice for exterior battens and fencing. Its fine texture and pale yellow-tan hue offer a visually appealing, long-lasting solution for creating privacy or design features, whether used in residential or commercial projects.



## **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Supplier responsibility status	Non-Controversial sources (community timber)	
Availability of sizes	Lengths: Available in random spread, heavily from 1.8 - 3.6 lineal meters Sizes: Available in all common sizes	
*Durability	Class 2	
Grades	Clear	

\*Based on above ground applications. Durability classifications provide a useful comparative guide, however factors relating to specific installations and natural timber variation may result in some pieces falling outside the species' durability classification.

Mechanical properties	Green	Dry
**Density (kg/m3)	-	700-800kg/m³
Crushing Strength (MPa)	42	64
Modulus of Rupture (MPa)	80	113
Modulus of Elasticity (GPa)	12	14
Hardness   Janka (kN)	5.1	5.6

\*\* Density (kg/m3) is an average indication only, measured at 12% moisture content (dry condition) and actual density may vary from piece to piece.

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#### Note: For comparable species speak to the JSC team about alternatives.

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