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The Homeowner's Guide to Timber Windows & Doors

Practical advice for renovating, restoring and building with timber joinery

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Spend any time walking through New Zealand's older suburbs and you'll quickly see the role timber joinery plays in defining the character of a home.

The proportions of a villa window. The detailing around a bungalow entrance. The craftsmanship visible in a set of French doors. These features contribute as much to the personality of a home as the architecture itself.

For many homeowners, windows and doors are only considered when something goes wrong. A window becomes difficult to open. Paint begins to fail. Moisture finds its way into ageing timber. A renovation project reveals decades of previous repairs hidden beneath layers of paint.

Others begin the journey from a different starting point. An architect has drawn a new home and timber has been specified as part of the design. A family wants to improve the comfort and energy efficiency of an older house while retaining its original character. A heritage building owner needs to balance preservation with modern performance expectations.

Every project is different, but the questions tend to be similar.

How long does timber joinery last?

Can heritage windows be upgraded?

How much maintenance is involved?

Is timber worth the investment?

What should I be looking for when choosing a joinery company?

This guide answers those questions and provides practical advice gathered from years of working with homeowners, architects and builders throughout New Zealand.

