



Cladding options are all about sustainability and the management of productive British woodlands.

But sustainability, which used to be common sense and simple, has actually become quite sophisticated with U-values, life-cycle analysis, carbon footprints being considered, calculated and incorporated into the procurement process.



Douglas Fir featheredge boarding with external oak rafter.



Vertical Oak Boarding

That's why we think Larch as fresh sawn cladding is so significant, because it's as sustainable as a building material gets. Plus it's traditional, versatile, economical, effective, and, because it's wood, it's also beautiful.

As a regular timber species it's tough and strong and can cope with heavy duty framing work, groundworks and landscaping as well as being great for cladding.

The density and resin content make it a bit difficult to treat but we've found it takes Osmo UV Protection oil fine once it's dried out a bit.



We use **Larch featheredge** which is better quality than most other companies (most use Spruce) Larch and Douglas Fir are similar in quality.

Oak boarding is double the price and requires more lap (and therefore more quantity) due to the high moisture content and shrinkage. It is prone to split which is not ideal especially on habitable buildings.

Western Red Cedar is also good but a deep reddish brown and usually Canadian.

We would also steer clear of Waney Edge boarding if possible due to the supply and fixing issues.

Cedral Fibre cement timber effect boarding offers both contemporary and flexible design options and is more or less maintenance free - but a more expensive option.

It's also available in a range of colours.



European Oak cladding provides an attractive, lasting and durable external and internal finish to buildings. Horizontal layouts are probably the most common type of board cladding. The boards can be used in a simple overlap design, feather or square edged or as a rebated feather edge or shiplap where a more flush surface is required.



Feather Edge Cladding

Featheredge cladding gives a rustic and natural look to a building.



Shiplap Cladding

A traditional profile for cladding.



Rainshield Cladding

Rainshield cladding gives an attractive clean finish to buildings. Installed horizontally, the profile gives a nice 'shadow gap' effect.



Thermally modified Weatherboard

Thermally modified timber offers excellent durability. It's super stable and knot free giving a nice clean finish.

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Albion Oak