



Responsible Wood

Enabling Sustainability



Responsible Wood is a not-for-profit organisation promoting sustainable forest management in Australia by certifying forests and the products that come from them.

Certification is a two-part process:

Forest certification

assures that forests are conserved and managed responsibly to ensure they deliver social, environmental and economic benefits now and in the future, balancing people, planet and profit.

Chain of Custody certification

is a verified mechanism for tracking certified materials from the sustainably managed forest to the final product.

Certification is awarded after independent audits verify that the forest management practices and the chain of custody systems are compliant with Responsible Wood's internationally-recognised Australian Standards.®

Over
24 million
hectares
of forest in Australia
are Responsible Wood
certified.

Why Responsible Wood?

Responsible Wood is endorsed by the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), the global authority on sustainable forest management.

High standards set by the PEFC include requirements to:

- Safeguard ecologically important forest areas
- Protect and enhance biological diversity
- Prohibit deforestation
- Prohibit forest conversions
- Prohibit the most dangerous chemicals
- Prohibit genetically modified trees
- Respect rights of workers and indigenous peoples'
- Encourage local employment
- Provide consultation with local people and stakeholders
- Respect traditional land rights and local customs
- Provide a voice for those who depend on forest for their livelihood.



Support Australia's forests

The Responsible Wood Shield logo and labelling assures end users and consumers that the product comes from a sustainably managed Australian forest.

You'll find our Shield logo on printed materials, packaging, furniture, timber products, copier paper and envelopes, and in many other places as more and more businesses recognise the benefits of Responsible Wood certification.

By choosing Responsible Wood, you demonstrate your support for the sustainable management of Australia's forests.





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