



THE Eagles Nest Taupo

CASE STUDY

Location
Taupo

Project Type
New residential build

Builder
Sam Coxhead,
Design Builders

FEATURED PRODUCTS

- HardieFlex™ Sheet cladding
- HardieGroove™ Lining
- RAB™ Board

James Hardie building products – trusted by architects and builders around the country.

Choose a builder you can trust, follow their recommendations, and enjoy the process. These top tips by new home owners Sharon Dodds and Tony Moans follow a highly successful build in Taupo, managed by Sam Coxhead of Design Builders.

Their picture perfect home is perched atop Loch Eagles hill in Taupo and combines classic lake-land style and modern architectural thinking. This beautiful, contemporary home makes the most of its wonderful setting and spectacular views over Lake Taupo.

Sharyn and Tony wanted to spend as much time as possible on the design and planning phase so they could hand it all over to the Design Builders team for the duration of the build phase, which got underway in September 2016.

“The planning stage was incredibly important for us as we were living four hours away in Orewa, so entrusted the build completely to our team.”

When it came to deciding on the materials to use in their home, the couple put themselves in the hands of the experts - the Design Builders team. “Products throughout the house were recommended to us by our builders and we trusted their recommendations,” says Sharyn.

“We wanted products that would last and require minimal upkeep,” says Sharon. Due to the home’s location on a hilltop exposed to the elements, a truly durable solution was required to keep it snug. HardieFlex Sheet was chosen as the cladding for its toughness and resistance to fire and damage from moisture and rot.

This material in combination with RAB Board, which provides structural strength, insulation and noise proofing, means the house is encased in a rigid air barrier system that protects it from anything the Lake Taupo weather conditions can throw at it for many years to come.

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HARDIEFLEX™ SHEET

The smooth cladding sheets make straight walls look sleek, clean and modern. They are suitable for use on residential extensions, second story additions and gable ends. They can also be used to line porches, verandahs carports and for soffits and eaves.



HARDIEGROOVE™ LINING

An authentic tongue and groove lining that looks fabulous in contemporary or traditional designs. It can be used as an internal wall lining, ceiling lining or externally on soffits and verandah ceilings.



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“HardieFlex came to us with a 15-year warranty. We chose to paint it black and are so happy with the end result. It looks stunning!” says Sharyn. The cladding was customised to resemble board-and-batten panelling, and painted black, makes a contemporary statement against the dramatic landscape of Lake Taupo.

To create a heritage feel inside the home, HardieGroove Lining was selected for its tongue-and-groove effect in the living area and entryway spaces. HardieGroove Lining also

requires minimal maintenance and offers outstanding impact resistance, so it retains its good looks for years to come. “We wanted a home with a classic design that would last over the years but that was unique to us,” says Sharyn.

Since moving in, the Dodds-Moan family have been rapt with their home. It’s a joy to live in,” says Sharon.

For a successful build, follow the advice of our recent home owners, and ask for James Hardie products by name.