PRODUCT GUIDELINES
COATING & FINISHING

VERSATILE TIMBER...
WHAT'S YOUR FINISH OF CHOICE?
The vast majority of OUTDECO® users install without secondary coatings, and enjoy the natural
colour of the product (Decoshield™ Natural) and its subtle rustic weathering. However it’s also easy
to coat in an exterior colour of your choice, with maintenance intervals similar to a wooden deck you
can use deck coatings to maintain a rich sealed look.

PROTECTED & READY-TO-INSTALL WITH DECOSHIIELD™
Decoshield™ is a unique system formulated to give greater protection against UV and is an integral
product feature.
YES THE PRODUCT IS PROTECTED and doesn’t have to be coated with a secondary protection.
However the panels surface will naturally dull over time to a soft rustic finish. This is the desired effect
for many of our customers, however if you wish to keep a rich dark look, you can topcoat the product
with a water-based seal or stain (timber decking product).

WHAT PAINTS CAN I USE FOR ALTERNATIVE COLOURS?
As a factory standard all Gardenscreen™ comes coated with Decoshield™ which acts as a prime and
means an otherwise very thirsty surface is covered in 1 or 2 coats. Exterior rated water-based paints
are suitable (check out your local hardware store or if not confident consult your tradesman). In the
example picture below Dulux Weathershield was used. If in doubt about your choice of colour, coating product or technique, always test a patch on the back or concealed edge, and always follow coating product directions. Timber products’ rates of
absorption and finish vary subtly. This is the nature and beauty of natural products.

METHODS FOR APPLICATION
It’s generally easier and yields a better result to coat your panels horizontally before fitting and
installing.

SPRAY-GUN
If you’re competent with a spray-gun, this is the easiest method. Alternate light coats at 45°
angles around the panel to get all edges evenly.

ROLLER
As pictured, from television’s THE BLOCK, Maxine used a roller to paint the panels. Ensure
roller is rolled even and liberally in a roller-tray before applying, to avoid build-up in the cavities.
Excess can be cleaned-up with a brush.

PAINT BRUSH
The above technique can also be substituted
with a trusty paint-brush, it just might take a little
longer. Wipe excess drips regularly.

CARE & MAINTENANCE
This is a timber product, and when installed in the harsh and ever changing Australian climate, is
similar to hardwood decking, in that it requires correct installation and some maintenance, relative
your desired surface finish. The integrity of the timber material is very resilient, however UV will dull the
surface over time.

MAINTAIN PREMIUM NATURAL FINISH
To maintain the premium natural finish, we advise applying extra coats of decking timber seal to the
front face. Many are available at your hardware store (ask for deck coatings), or see Quantum Timber

Always follow the coating product directions and consult your
local hardware or a professional tradesman if in doubt.

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