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Carefully Crafted Timber

Te Ara a Tāwhaki – Otaki, New Zealand



Te Ara a Tāwhaki is by the team
at award-winning architects,
Tennent Brown.



Project & Product Overview

Te Ara a Tāwhaki is a unique learning laboratory specifically for Māori. The building's stunning timber façade uses Vulcan Screening, chosen for its exceptional performance. The criss cross pattern was designed by architects Tennent Brown to reflect traditional Māori flax weaving patterns, and required a timber that would be stable enough to cope with this demanding application. Maintenance was also a key consideration given the elevated nature of the structure on a commercial building.

The stability and weathering characteristics of Abodo's Vulcan Screening made it a natural choice for the project. Vulcan is sustainably sourced, thermally modified timber – a chemical-free, heat-based treatment which dramatically increases the durability and stability of the wood. The timber's Sioo:x finish provides long term protection with low maintenance, which weathers to a beautiful, silvery-grey natural colour.

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