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EXPERIENCE NATURE

Naturalia takes the shapes, colours and textures of nature - wheatfields, dunes, woods, bark and stone - and transforms them into an environmentally sustainable design medium with a feel that can become a way of life, a style and an outlook on life.

The R&D team at Arpa has redrawn the boundaries between man and nature and come up with a revolutionary material that combines functional innovation, technology and beauty. Naturalia is made of wood fibres, from certified European forests to give warm, solid wooden surfaces made from renewable resources. Naturalia is extremely versatile and easy to work and brings a breath of fresh air to the world of interior design, offering new ideas for the design of furnishing schemes that are always elegant and appropriate for every situation.

Glass table base
in Naturalia N04
Erre finish

An eco-friendly material

Naturalia is an environment-friendly material coming from sustainable resources. It is made of wood fibres from certified European forests. The fibres are impregnated and blended with thermosetting resins and pressed at high temperature. This results in a homogeneous, non-porous, high-density panel with high performances. Naturalia can be recycled at the end of its life cycle.

ECOLOGY AND DESIGN

Right:
Worktop in Naturalia N02
Larix finish

Below:
Kitchen Worktop in Naturalia
N01
Naked finish

Inspiring surfaces

The elegant, sophisticated surfaces of Naturalia bring to mind - and your fingertips - the thrill of contact with nature: the slightly rough bark of a tree under the palm of your hand, fine sand trickling between your fingers or the warmth of soft earth... Beauty arouses strong feelings. The standard finish, ERRE, has a delicate texture that is compact, smooth and pleasant to the touch. The long, closely packed veins of GHIBLI evoke the tall conifers of North America. The highly structured finish of LARIX is rough to the touch while NAKED is bare and clean as a debarked tree, solid, familiar and reassuring.







The taste of nature

Each colour in the Naturalia range - Grano, Duna, Lichene, Marna, Castagna and Ossidiana - will give interiors a different feeling. These six elements evoke six different worlds and six colour emotions, but also six soft, natural and comfortable environments bringing peace and warmth. They are beautiful to both the eye and the soul; a pleasure to live with.

The colours of Naturalia go right through the material and the wood fibre core combined with resin and natural pigments defines the appearance of Naturalia. The overall colours come from these organic pigments, while the tonal variations, shades, feel and texture of the surfaces are all due to the solidity and random arrangement of the fibres themselves, creating a sophisticated décor style.

Versatile and easy to work

Every designer will appreciate the natural appearance of Naturalia whose unique characteristics combine excellent working properties with beauty. The solidity, homogeneity and durability of Naturalia offer interior designers an entirely new concept. The coloured core of Naturalia can be worked easily with a range of woodworking tools and can be cut to many shapes or angles, providing the versatility and workability needed for the free expression of ideas.

Left:
living area
in Naturalia N01
Erre finish

Below:
vertical application
in Naturalia N01
Maastricht finish
(by special order)

TIMBER AND STYLE



Multiple applications

Naturalia is perfect for worktops in many situations - counters, furniture or supporting surfaces - and is particularly suitable for kitchen work surfaces thanks to its scratch-resistant and water-repellent properties. Its high load capacity allows designers to use long spans with a limited number of intermediate supports. Vertical applications are also possible. The density and uniformity of the structure of Naturalia means that it can be cut in any direction giving obvious savings. It can also be milled and routed and is easy to machine.



Above: bathroom fitting
in Naturalia N00
Naked finish

Right: living room table
in Naturalia N05
Larix finish

A MATERIAL FOR IDEAS

Freedom to invent

Highly uniform, very solid, self-supporting and water-resistant, with high density and good load capacity, Naturalia offers creative people great design freedom. They can create structures that fit perfectly into any living or working environment and give any room a mellow, comfortable atmosphere. Naturalia is a combination of research, technology, design skill and great attention to the

environment we live in and want to preserve. It is a material that offers architects and designers the freedom to invent, design and create interiors that reflect the true feeling of nature.





Below: Decorative element
in Naturalia N05
Larix finish



Scratch and wear-resistant



The uniform, through colour of Naturalia and its solidity make it highly resistant to service scratches, so marks are almost invisible. Naturalia's high impact resistance and mechanical performance, combined with this scratch and wear resistance, make it suitable for horizontal applications.

Heat-resistant



Naturalia's surface is resistant to high temperatures making it particularly suitable for kitchen worktops.

Easy to clean and hygienic



Naturalia is easily cleaned with soap and warm water, as well as most common household detergents. Abrasive sponges or powders that might damage the surface are not recommended.

Suitable for contact with food



Naturalia's surface does not encourage the growth of micro-organisms and is suitable for prolonged contact with foodstuffs. It is non-porous and impermeable to water. These properties make Naturalia an ideal material for the kitchen environment.

Natural colours



The colour through core of Naturalia is the result of the combination of natural wood fibres and resins used in the manufacturing process and pigmented with natural colours. The inherent variation in the colour of the wood fibres is reflected in the variation of the final product from sheet to sheet, which allows the designer to create a natural and warm environment.

Self-supporting



On vertical surfaces, Naturalia can be self supporting, with the correct stud spacing. Moreover, it has also a high load bearing ability which enables a lot of attractive horizontal applications. This means great creative freedom for designers and architects, both for decorative and structural features.

Environmentally sustainable



Naturalia is made from renewable resources. The wood fibres used to produce Naturalia are issued from certified European forests and comply with the PEFC requirements. The Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) is the assurance that wood used in the application comes from sustainably managed forests. Naturalia can also be recycled at the end of its life cycle.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

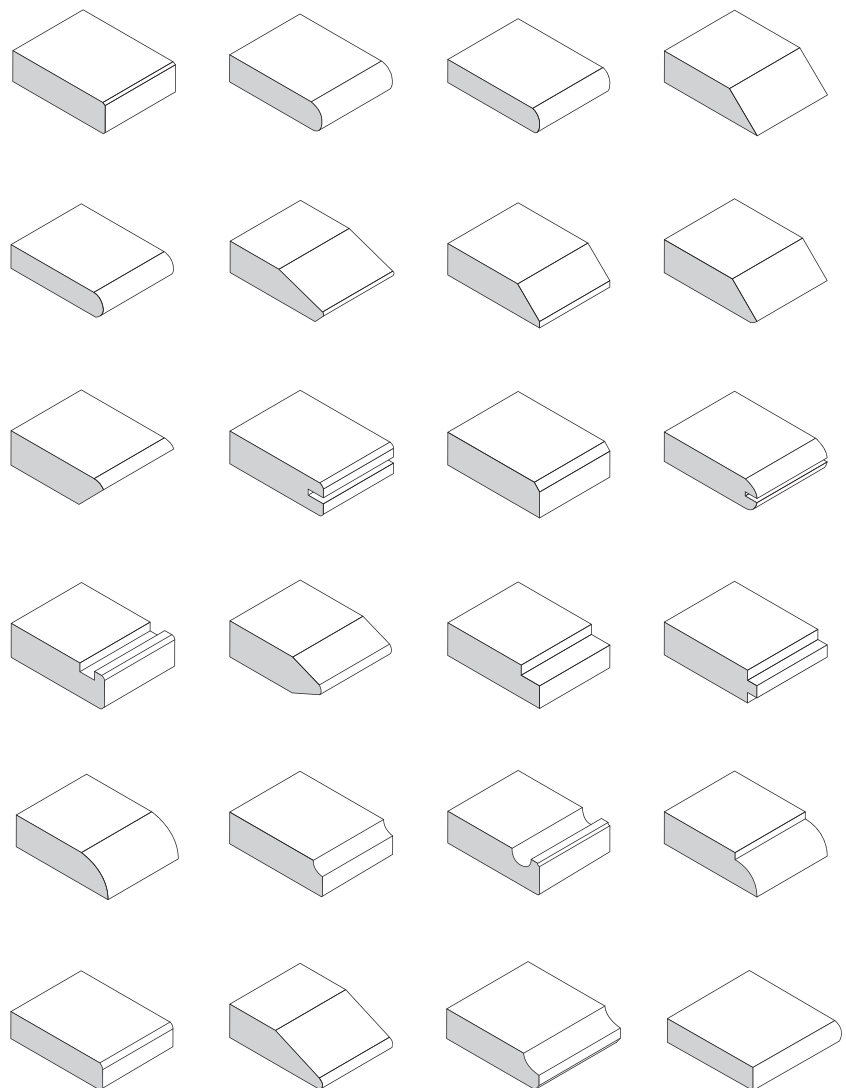
Standard panel types are manufactured in accordance with EN 438:2005 and over 6.4 mm are classified D-S2,d0. Naturalia behaves like solid wood and is suitable for milling and routing. Naturalia is classified E1 in Formaldehyde emission tests. For more information, please refer to the properties table on page 16.

Composition

Naturalia is made of wood fibres blended with thermosetting resins and manufactured under high pressure and at high temperatures. The fibres are randomly arranged, giving it a pleasant appearance and texture. The manufacturing process ensures a homogeneous, non-porous material.

Format

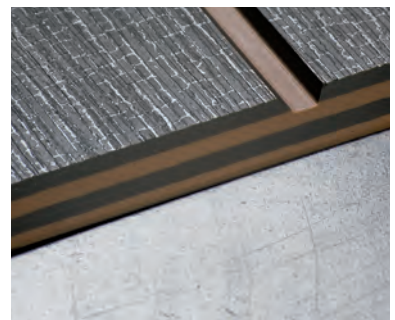
Naturalia panels are available in a standard size of 3,050 x 1,300mm.



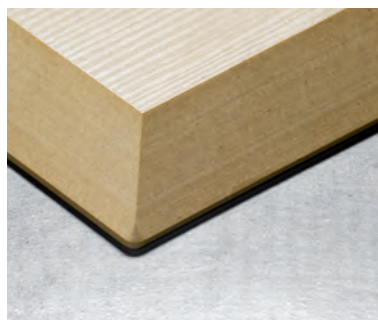
Machining

Due to its multidirectional fibre structure, Naturalia can be cut in any direction with obvious advantages both in terms of cost and freedom of design expression. Naturalia is easy to machine using traditional woodworking (e.g. carbide or diamond) tools and can be milled and routed.

- 01 Multicolour N04/N01 with routing
- 02 N05 with 45° routing
- 03 N00 with rounded milling
- 04 N01 milling with double rounded edges
- 05 N02 routed (detail of ready-to-assemble chair)
- 06 N03 routed unit



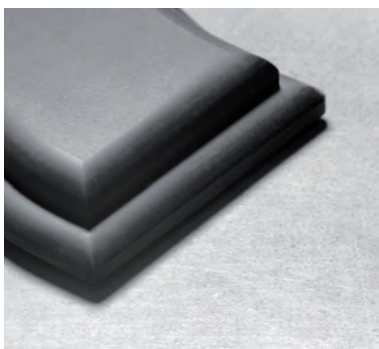
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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Properties	Method	Results
Classification	EN 438-4:4	Standard CGS
Thickness		6,4 – 9,7 - 12,8 mm
Thickness tolerances	EN 438-4:6	5,0 ≤ t < 8,0: ± 0,40 8,0 ≤ t < 12,0: ± 0,50 12,0 ≤ t < 16,0: ± 0,60
Length and width	EN 438-4:6	+ 10 mm/ - 0 mm
Flatness (measured on full-size sheet)	EN 438-4:6	6 ≤ t ≤ 10 mm: ≤ 5 mm/m 10 ≤ t : ≤ 3 mm/m
Squareness	EN 438-4:6	≤ 1,5 mm/m
Straightness of edges	EN 438-4:6	≤ 1,5 mm/m
Surface quality: · Spots, dirt and similar surface defects · Fibres, hairs and scratches	EN 438-4:6	≤ 1 mm ² /m ² ≤ 10 mm ² /m ²
Density	EN ISO 1183-1	≥ 1,35 g/cm ³
Flexural modulus	EN ISO 178	≥ 9000 Mpa
Flexural strength	EN ISO 178	≥ 80 Mpa
Tensile strength	EN ISO 527- 2	≥ 70 Mpa
Dimensional stability at elevated temperatures: · Longitudinal dimensional change · Transverse dimensional change	EN 438-2:17	≤ 0,30 % ≤ 0,60 %
Resistance to impact with large diameter ball Drop height 1800 mm – Mass of steel ball 370 g · Diameter of indentation	EN 438-2:21	≤ 10 mm. diameter
Resistance to immersion in boiling water for 2 hours · Mass increase · Thickness increase · Appearance	EN 438-2:12	≤ 2 % ≤ 2 % Rating ≥ 4
Resistance to dry heat (180°C): · Appearance	EN 438-2:16	Rating ≥ 4
Resistance to wet heat (100°): · Appearance	EN 12721	Rating ≥ 4
Resistance to water vapour · Appearance	EN 438-2:14	Rating ≥ 4
Resistance to cigarette burns · Appearance	EN 438-2:30	Rating 4
Resistance to scratching	EN 438-2:25	Rating 3
Resistance to cracking · Appearance	EN 438-2:24	Rating ≥ 4
Lightfastness (xenon arc) · Contrast	EN 438-2:27	Rating ≥ 4 Grey scale
Resistance to staining · Group 1 – 2 · Group 3	EN 438-2:26	Rating 5 Rating 4
Evaluation of the action of micro-organisms Methods A + C (bacteria and mould)	EN ISO 846	Biostatic
Contact with foodstuffs	EN 1186:2003	Suitable
Reaction to fire	EN 13501-1 / EN 438-7	Euroclass D-s2,d0
Formaldehyde emission	EN 717 - 1/2	Class E1

All data given refers to the standard versions of Naturalia products. Arpa Lab is available for any additional information required.

DELIVERY PROGRAMME

Colour Code	Colour Name	Standard finishes	Finishes available to order	Panel size	Standard thicknesses	Thicknesses to order
N00	Castagna	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm
N01	Ossidiana	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm
N02	Lichene	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm
N03	Marna	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm
N04	Duna	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm
N05	Grano	Erre, Ghibli, Larix, Naked	Martellata and Top Face on both sides of the panel; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht on one side of the panel with Erre finish on the other	3,050x1,300	6.4 9.7 12.8mm	da 16 a 32mm

Defining Naturalia

Description: environmentally sustainable (obtained from renewable resources), through-coloured, high density material, consisting of wood fibre, thermosetting resins and natural organic pigments. Complies with EN standard 438-2005.

Colour Code:

Colour Name:

Name of Surface finish:

Size of standard panel:

3,050 x 1,300 mm

Panel thickness:

Thicknesses

Naturalia is available in three standard thicknesses: 6.4, 9.7 and 12.8 mm. Special thicknesses between 16 and 32 mm can be supplied on request. Please contact us for more information.

Finishes

The standard finishes are: Erre, Ghibli, Larix and Naked. The following finishes can be made on request: Martellata and Top Face on both sides; Satinata, Quarzo, Poro, Carré, Diamante, Cliff, Wood and Maastricht one side (the other side in Erre finish).

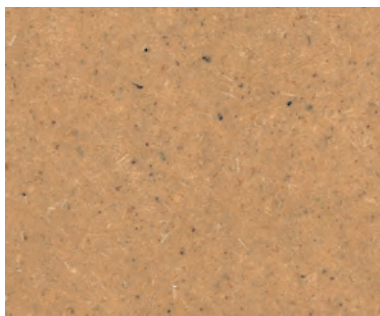


Erre

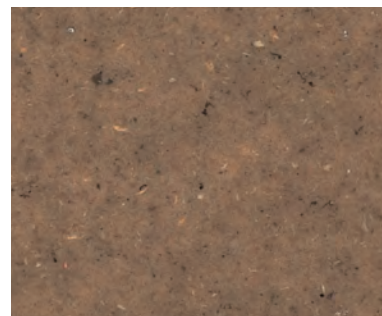
Erre is the standard finish. It feels smooth to the touch, soft, delicate and very comfortable to use.



N04 Duna



N05 Grano



N00 Castagna

Ghibli

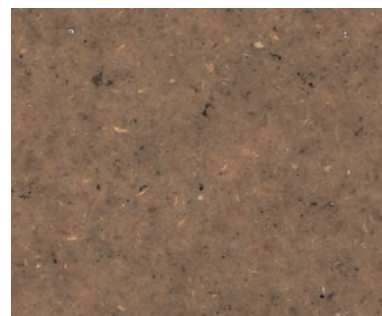
The Ghibli finish provides a slightly rough texture whose very fine lines show up under the play of light.



N04 Duna



N05 Grano



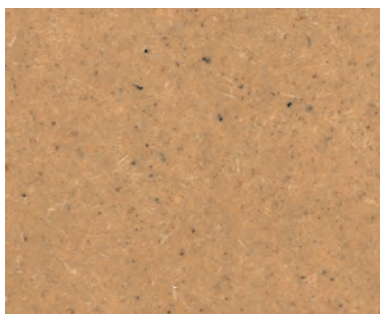
N00 Castagna

Larix

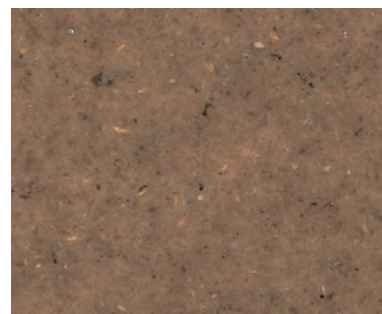
The Larix finish has a texture of broad, irregular striations that is ideal for creating sophisticated interiors and compatible with every style of furnishing.



N04 Duna



N05 Grano



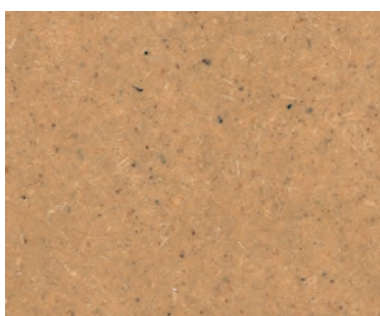
N00 Castagna

Naked

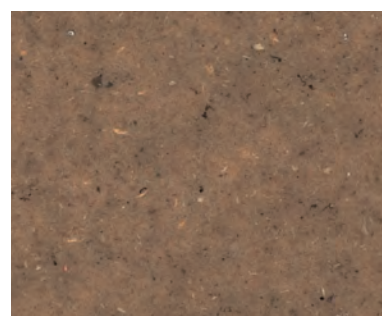
The Naked finish offers a rugged texture reminiscent of tree bark and exudes the ambience of a natural environment.



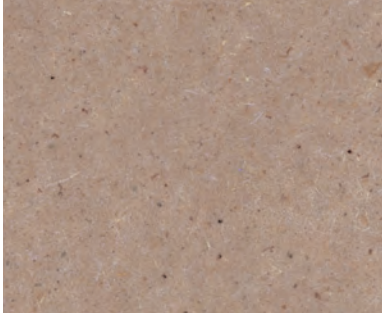
N04 Duna



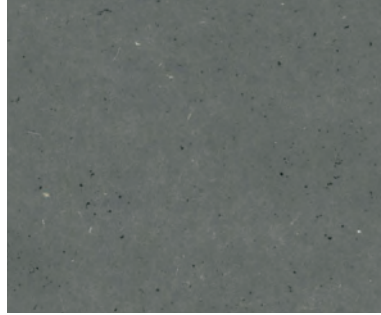
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N03 Marna



N02 Lichene



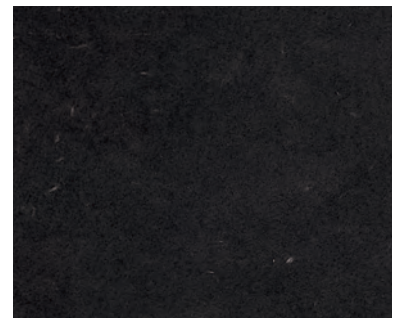
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N03 Marna



N02 Lichene



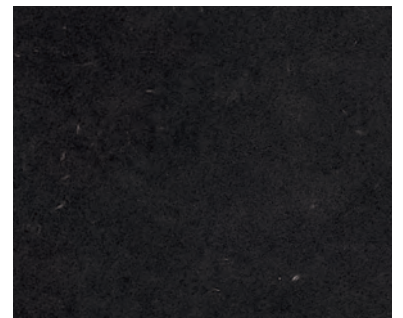
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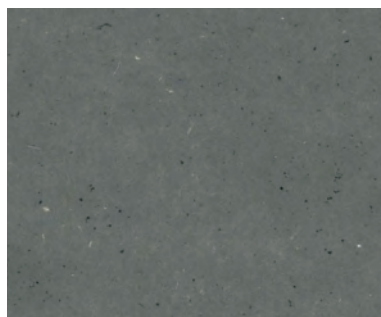
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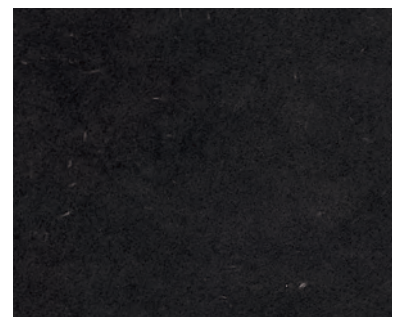
N01 Ossidiana



N03 Marna



N02 Lichene



N01 Ossidiana

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