

Slab photos

The slab photos on our web site are basic showing the shape of the slab but taken mostly from one end so will have the appearance of being narrower at the opposite end which isn't the case on most. The measurement of the slab in 3 locations are listed and when these are taken the last 20mm or so is not measured being sap wood. They are measured on the narrow side usually side "A" with side "B" usually wider which is often 30 to 50mm wider. The average width is also listed which as it says it is the average width on the narrower "A" side.

Birdseye is not always fully obvious with a non dressed dry photo and that is why there is a ranking out of 5. The Birdseye is more obvious when dressed and a bucket of water splashed over the slab, we have dried these slabs so won't put water on them. Dressing is an option to show Birdseye but it removes some thickness with say 25mm slabs listed as 25mm but reality is they are mostly 26 to 27.5mm thick and dressing would reduce that to 23 to 24mm.

With the smaller slabs we can take more photos on request within reason if you are serious about a few slabs. We have several thousand slabs and simply not possible to photograph them all with most in deep storage. Larger slabs we usually take more photos than the smaller ones.

Colour with computer screens can be a problem with different screens showing the same slab differently, it is Huon pine so is a pale yellow with slight variations. Huon from both the Gordon river and what is now Lake Gordon is more of a yellow to a beige yellow, timber from the Teepookana area being more a rich yellow. Clear coating will show the timber features the best making it pop but timber oils a poor alternative.

We cut the slabs in the cooler months and rack them outside in the wind at first because this is kinder to them and then either place them in storage racked to allow for them to dry over 4 to 5 years but also kiln dry as well and even the ones that have been racked inside are often finished in the kiln for thicker slabs. This racking outside can have visual marks from the sun but this is only on the absolute surface, a light pass with a sander and they are gone.