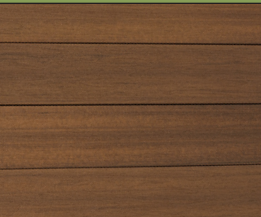






CLADDING COMPARISON CHART

CLADDING OPTIONS	FIBERON COMPOSITE CLADDING	FIBER CEMENT SIDING	WOOD LAP SIDING	STUCCO	BRICK AND STONE MASONRY
					
APPEARANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authentic wood grain and color variation. • No fading. • No cracking or decay. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Painted. • No multi-tonal streaking. • Can fade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color fades, chips, and can stain. • Can develop mold and mildew stains. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prone to cracking. • Limited trim options. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authentic look.
EASE OF INSTALLATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boards are prefinished; no extra steps required. Reduces labor time/expense. • Install with composite material screws. • Longer board lengths reduce splices and labor. • No carcinogens released during cutting. • Can be installed with workers on ladders instead of scaffolding. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Difficult to cut. • OSHA requires exposure controls and protective equipment. • Can break under its own weight. Careful handling required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires multiple trades to instal and finish. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor intensive. • Requires 2- to 3-step application plus paint. • All layers must be uniform to perform well. • Requires two layers/ applications of building paper or wrap plus lath reinforcing. • Heavy; scaffolding required when installing on second story or higher. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor intensive. • Requires wider foundation wall to support its own weight and accommodate code-required 1-inch air space. • Heavy; scaffolding required when installing on second story or higher. • Requires steel support lintels over windows, doors, and gable ends. • Requires brick ties, thru-wall flashings, and weep holes for water drainage.
REQUIRES SPECIAL TOOLS OR TRADE-SPECIFIC LABOR	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
DURABILITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Won't crack, splinter, peel, rot, decay, or suffer insect infestation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brittle. Can fracture if nailed close to edge. • Finish and face can spall (flake or break off) in cold environments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Splits and splinters. • Prone to fading. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prone to cracking. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can spall when exposed to moisture.
WATER ABSORPTION	Negligible	Depends on quality and age of finish.	Depends on quality and age of finish.	Always	Always
AFFECTED BY FREEZE/THAW CYCLES	No	Yes	Yes	Sometimes	Sometimes
WARRANTY	10-year Commercial 25-year Residential	Varies by manufacturer. Weathering/fading usually not covered.	None	None	None
CONTAINS RECYCLED CONTENT	Yes-94%	No	No	No	No



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