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Witt's Woods & Greens Dock and Deck Projects with CAMO® Edge Fastening System Wins NADRA Awards

Grand Rapids, MI – Jon Witt, owner of Witt's Woods & Greens, selected the CAMO® Edge Fastening System for the construction of an award-winning two-story boathouse and dock on Sturgeon Lake, in Ontario. NADRA named the dock second place winner in the "Best Dock" category announced at its 2017 National Deck Competition in October. Witt's crew used Western red cedar decking and fastened the edges with the CAMO Edge Fastening System using the Marksman Pro®-X1. The result is a secure, fastener-free surface solution that emphasizes the beauty of the dock and its rocky, cliffside surroundings.

Witt also won 2nd place in the wood deck category for a 380-square foot Thermory-modified scots pine deck treated with CUTEK Extreme. The multi-tiered deck in Lindsay, Ontario, features CAMO on all deck surfaces, trim and accessories.

"The system allows the beauty of wood such as the red cedar to shine through, without surface screws detracting from the look," says Witt, who notes they discovered CAMO when they had to return to repair a deck where the surface face screws were out of alignment. "Aesthetics are very important to us as wood installers and we didn't want to have that problem again."

Located on Sturgeon Lake, the two-story boat house has 980 square ft. of deck area and sits at the bottom of a 45-foot rock cliff alongside the cliff wall. The upper deck is waterproofed to keep the boat house dry below.

"We had a callback on a leak in the waterproofing system and, because we used CAMO, we easily pulled up several boards and reinstalled them without damage," he says. "As another benefit, since the edge-fastening system keeps water from resting in the screw holes, it also helps avoid water penetration that splits the wood over time, giving the deck greater longevity."

For roughly the past eight years Witt's Woods & Greens, located in Fenelon Falls, Ontario, has used CAMO as their primary fastening system. They rely on the Marksman Pro-X1 with 1/16 of an inch spacing.



With the CAMO Marksman Pro-X1, Witt's crew can quickly and easily deliver CAMO® Edge Deck Screws into the edge of solid or grooved deck boards for fast installation. It employs a simple technology that is easy to use. The contractors simply load the proprietary deck screws into the hand-held guides that position them to be driven into the edge of the deck boards and provide automatic gapping. Special driver bits are included with the screws to ensure depth of drive.

CAMO offers several guides including the Marksman Pro, Marksman Pro®-X1, MarksmanPro-NB and the no-gap guide, Marksman Edge™ which ranges in cost from \$20 to \$50. They work with virtually any decking material—composite, PVC, and most soft and hard wood species with variations to accommodate nominal 6-inch boards as well as narrow boards, and offer a variety of spacing choices, including a no-gap option for treated wood decks that can also be used with secondary spacers when wider gaps are desired.

"We use CAMO for house trim fasteners as well, and always have it on hand; it's a standard stock item," says Witt. "We like it because it's easy and quick to train on, the presets only let it go as deep as it has to go, and it's very simple and user friendly. I can't see using anything else in the future--it's too beneficial to our business."

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About CAMO Edge Fastening

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