

NATURAL TREND
OF WOOD





Modern yet rugged, natural wood played a pivotal role in the exhibitor showroom at this year's 2015 Toronto Interior Design Show (IDS). Forecasted to be showing up as more than just flooring in your home, bring warm-toned and sleek wooden elements into your kitchen this year.

Clean lines and modern design are not going anywhere anytime soon. This year that aesthetic is warming up with the help of natural wood materials. Genuine fibers are exposed to uncover natural wood finishes in a wide range of tones and colours. These fibers create texture and diversity in design without overpowering a kitchen. Sleek lines and deeply carved patterns within the wood do a great job of adding visual interest.

Wood is also catering to those consumers with a taste for craftsmanship. When left natural, wood creates a one-of-a-kind look that does not appear mass produced. Those who crave a more modern aesthetic can look to artisan, hand-made products that feature sleek cuts and details. The character and visual interest of wooden materials is quickly making it a must have material when it comes to kitchen design.

A stand-out example of a modern kitchen that balances natural materials and visually-interesting lines comes courtesy of industry leader AyA Kitchens' luxury brand AVANI. Taking home gold for its winning booth design at this year's Interior Design Show, the AyA booth featured the stunning AVANI CARVE. A collaboration between AVANI and Canadian design innovator Siamak Hariri of Hariri Pontarini Architects (HPA). CARVE is the ultimate combination of handmade meets high-tech. The bespoke booth is not what comes to mind when you think of a wooden kitchen and opened consumers' eyes to new possibilities.

When bringing wood into your home, it's all about balance. CARVE used three natural and rustic contrasting wood finishes - Hemlock,



Douglas Fir, and Walnut - which was offset by sleek matte white cabinetry and smooth lines. The natural material was also deeply carved and manipulated using a unique, proprietary process developed by AVANI and was complemented by bespoke, hand-crafted finishes.

AVANI is an expert at bringing this of-the-moment material into your home. Manufactured in a 150,000 square



foot state-of-the-art production facility within AyA's Mississauga-based Headquarters, each AVANI kitchen is custom-made. All AyA kitchens are offered at competitive price and quality, through the combination of old world craftsmanship and high tech manufacturing processes.

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