

Backboard material description

The hitting surface is made from Louisiana-Pacific Smart side panels. They are premium exterior panels that are made from wood (oriented strand board) with a phenolic saturated overlay on the exposed face which also has an attractive Cedar texture. We then sand the edges (3 times) and paint the edges (6 times) to make the panels impervious to the elements. Of course the front and back are also painted but the edges get special attention.

The REAListic Tennis Backboard is made from 2 kinds of wood. The framing is made from kiln dried Douglas Fir which is planed, sanded, and painted green. The hitting face and sideboards are made from a high tech panel called L-P Smartside. This panel starts with an oriented strand panel and presses the finished side with an attractive Cedar texture. That face is then embossed with a phenolic saturated overlay that is then painted with primer at the mill. When we get the panel we sand and paint the edges multiple times in addition to 2 coats on the front and back of the panel. The framing and panel screws are galvanized and the screw heads and washers are painted matching green.