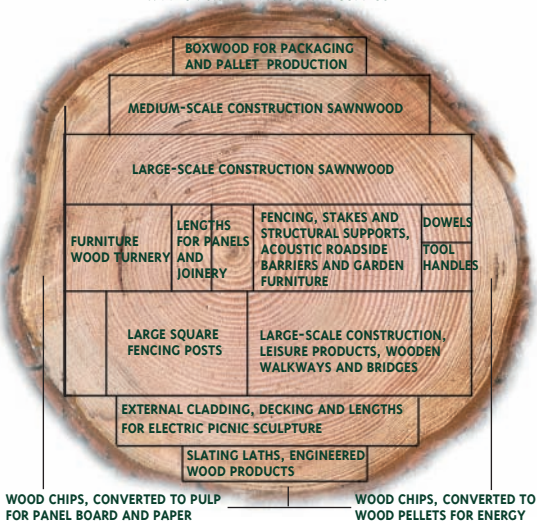


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WOOD COLLECTIVE

BARK FOR GARDEN MULCH AND COMPOST



Wood from sustainably managed forests is a renewable and environmentally friendly resource. Forests remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and convert it to cellulose – the building blocks of wood and living biomass – in a process known as carbon sequestration. Forests are acknowledged for the key role they play in climate change mitigation. They are regarded as the lungs of the planet but need to be managed according to the principles of sustainable forest management (SFM), which is why we should only source timber from forests and countries with SFM certification.

Wood is highly prized by architects, engineers, sculptors and wood workers because it provides opportunities to maximise creative expression. It is the oldest construction material, first used in the primeval forest as rough shelters. With proper care and maintenance wood will last for centuries. In Scandinavia, timber buildings still survive from the 13th century.

There is no waste in wood. After a log is sawn for construction, furniture, veneering, fencing and other primary uses, the remainder is processed into engineered wood products and paper, and can be further reprocessed and recycled as energy efficient fuel and horticultural products.

The Wood Collective project is compatible with the Wood Marketing Federation mission: *to promote wood as a renewable, sustainable and versatile natural material.*



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Meitheal Adhmaid-Wood Collective (www.woodcollective.ie) is a collaborative project between architects, engineers, foresters, timber processors, artists, woodworkers and research agencies. It explores the functional and aesthetic qualities of wood and wood products. *Meitheal Adhmaid* has produced prefabricated structures for Irish and international exhibitions, which explore movement and rhythm in works such as *Crashing Waves* (above). They make the connection with sustainability and renewability. This circle of life is defined by the annual growth ring, now almost complete, as the Electric Picnic begins, and the growing season draws to a close, before renewal in the spring, when:

*The trees are coming into leaf
Like something almost being said...*

*Last year is dead, they seem to say,
Begin afresh, afresh, afresh.*

Philip Larkin, *The Trees*

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