

“Our business is built on our reputation”

Corona Cabinets.

Corona Cabinets prefer to invest in building a good name rather than glossy advertising. Owner Tim McDonald describes Corona as a ‘reputation based business’ and knows the value of referrals from satisfied clients. Over the past 5 years Tim has expanded rapidly, building a team of 30 to deliver a unique package to a wide range of customers from Noosa to Tweed Heads.



“We’re flexible, we don’t let people down and offer a complete ‘go to whoa’ design, build and installation service for Kitchens, retirement home fit-outs, schools and Hotels and other Commercial fit outs. We even do detailed woodwork like joinery in Churches”.

Difficult requirements like curves and specialised laminate finishes for the likes of science labs and schools are “no problem” for Corona, either working to Architects specifications or utilising their own designers using software from Learcom’s QuikCam & CadCode. From these packages Corona runs a fully linked ‘labels based’ workcell from the German Homag Group.

Product quality was ‘king’ when deciding who would supply this workcell but high production capabilities, flexibility and unmatched reliability were also important.

“Our reputation is our most important asset and we’re not prepared to compromise with inferior equipment. We talked to other leading companies using Homag Group gear and that sealed it for us”

Work starts at the ‘new generation’ Holzma HPP250 Beamsaw which does a mixture of stack cutting combined with lots of small unique jobs. Although the ‘baby’ of Holzma’s range the HPP250 has outperformed Corona’s expectations. “It’s awesome, never breaks down and gives us perfectly square, straight and 100% accurate cuts without dramas”. Corona cut up to 150 sheets per day and finds the output of the HPP250 well matched to their operator’s capacity to load and unload the machine. “Even on small jobs we cut in around half the time and of course on the volume jobs the savings are really significant”

Labels are produced at the saw to carry Edgebanding instructions eliminating errors. With lots of edge changes per shift common the PC auto changeovers of the Brandt are a real bonus. “We use the premill to eliminate the edge swelling we get in this climate plus we now cut components to their finished size and then mill away the thickness of the edge we will be applying. Our Brandt’s a great machine giving us a perfect result without fuss”

From there the Weeke CNC takes over with its machining instructions coming directly from the Learcom design program. "The software link-up was simple and this machine's a real beauty"

Operator training was quick. "Our guys found the Homag software very intuitive and easy to learn and we're very happy with the competence and backup from the Homag Techs here"

Sounds like a good investment.

"Absolutely, we would recommend Homag to anyone like us who wants to build a reputation for quality and ensure they can deliver on it"