

# what's New & Different?

## VisionScapes & Kayu Canada

Partnering to create visions of loveliness that pairs design excellence with quality finishes and exquisite function, this dynamic duo is committed to surrounding your home with beauty.

“At VisionScapes, beauty is found in the balance between form and function,” shares Jeff Campbell, who for 15 years has provided high-end residential design/builds for outdoor living environments. “Our Calgary team ensures that your dream landscape is both aesthetically pleasing and structurally sound.”

The clients desired a customized approach to a Zen garden with an Asian-inspired theme that would reflect their tastes for a one-of-a-kind sanctuary in their own backyard. Utilizing exotic Red Balau Batu from Kayu Canada that captures exterior home finishes, address signage, fencing, a day bed and pergola, the expertise and craftsmanship of VisionScapes brought a unique vision to life. With the advantages of low-maintenance, durability, and a premium look and feel, this exotic hardwood was the perfect choice.

“We custom built the mailbox and address entry feature made of powder-coated aluminum and Kayu’s Red Balau Batu with recessed LED lighting. The fence also features recessed lighting in the caps with aluminum detail strips,” explains Campbell. The landscape consists of three distinct living areas that include the lounge area by the fireplace, the Zen-inspired day bed, and the pergola with its outdoor kitchen environment.

Custom features include integrated, recessed, infrared heaters at the top of the day bed and custom designed lotus details on the back screen. Significant lighting throughout exterior flows further affords functional ambiance with accented features. The stucco-clad fireplace displays a hand-carved stone Buddha image. “From Bali, it weighs over 2,000 pounds and it was a challenge that provided excellent results,” adds Campbell.

Versatile and suitable for the Alberta climate, the hardness, interlocking grain, and natural oils make Kayu exotic woods a proven performer. “We have been working with VisionScapes since 2003 in their exterior finish and landscaping projects,” admits Jim Labelle of Kayu Canada. “All of our tropical hardwoods make any landscape design more enticing and are ideal for custom home projects.”

