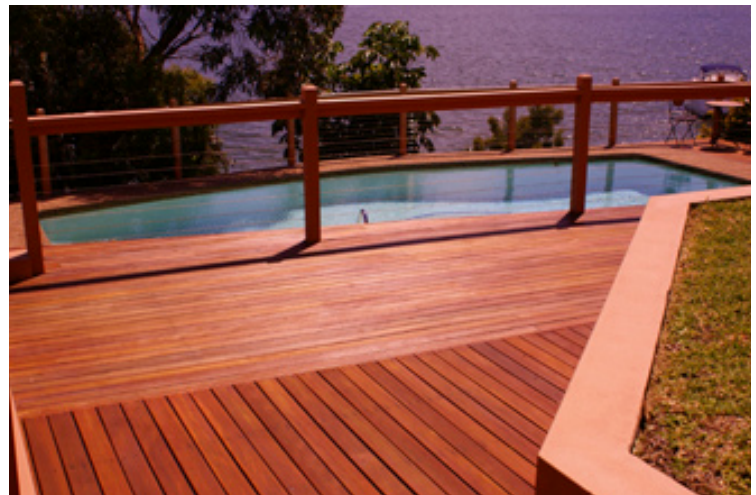




Boral Silkwood

Architects Terence Feltus used Boral Timber's Silkwood engineered flooring to replace the timber floor at Café Lago in Adelaide. The Boral flooring was chosen because it is a pre-finished product allowing the floor to be laid in hours, reducing the restaurant's downtime. Three species were specified to provide variety of colour — Jarrah was used as the base, with the inset laid from Karri and Blackbutt. The flooring was glued rather than floated to create a more solid feel and improve sound quality, and because of the shorter length of timber required to achieve the feature shape.

» **Boral Timbers:** 1800 818 317 or www.boral.com.au



Deck It Out

Spa N Deck, by Flood Australia, was developed in Australia to protect native and imported timbers from the harsh sunlight and salty coastal winds of our great island continent. It is an environmentally-responsible acrylic deck finish that's quoted to last 'three to five times' longer than conventional solvent or oil-based deck finishes. Spa N Deck is absorbed into the grain of the timber and is guaranteed not to peel, blister or crack. It is applied to a wet surface with a lamb's wool applicator, with the water drawing the finish down into the grain of the timber. A second and third coat is applied shortly after the first has dried, allowing a single deck to be completed in a day. By penetrating deep into the wood grain, the finish brings out the natural texture of the timber and creates a less slippery surface than film form alternatives, and dries to a semi-transparent finish. The finish is resistant to chlorine and salt so it can be used around pools and comes with a four-year guarantee on vertical surfaces and a two-year guarantee on horizontal surfaces. The price is approximately \$45 for 2.5L, \$85 for 4L and \$210 for 20L, at coverage of approximately 8sqm/L.

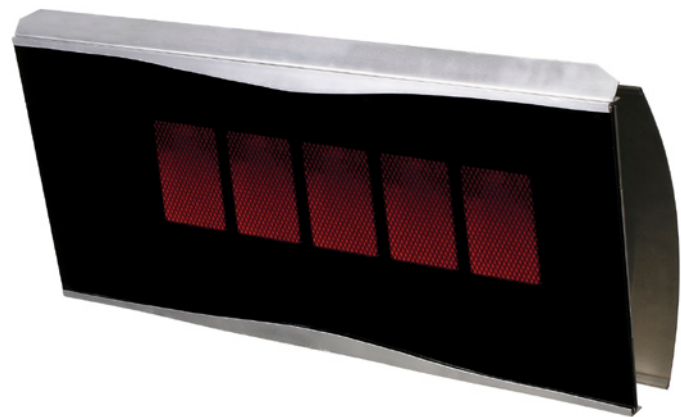
» **Flood Australia:** 1800 226 113 or www.floodaustralia.net



Get Smart

The Infiniq Smart Bill Folder system is an electronic means of collecting customer feedback and email addresses in the hospitality sector. The system allows online analysis of all responses and automatic e-marketing to customers. It's basically a small touchscreen PDA, packaged in a bill folder that allows patrons to tap in their responses to your questions. Gathering customer feedback is an important part of business, and comment cards usually go unnoticed, so the Smart Bill Folder's quoted response rate of around 80% is pretty impressive, with 40% leaving an email address. Cuisine Scene Hospitality Solutions has installed the system in a number of venues around the country, and operators can trial the system for 30 days gratis. The trial offer includes up to three smart bill folders and provides a full overview of the systems capabilities.

» **Cuisine Scene Hospitality Solutions:** (02) 8448 2033 or smartbillfolder@cuisinescene.com.au



Bromic Heaters

The Platinum series Radiant Heater provides a commercial solution to year-round outdoor settings. The Platinum series addresses heating efficiency, usability, user comfort and aesthetics. The heaters use translucent high temperature tinted ceramic glass to distort the heat waves and reduce the intensity of the heat close to the burners, maintaining comfort, while offering greater and more even heat distribution at the furthest reaches. The medium also allows effective usage in high-wind applications. The tinted glass also serves to transform the red glare emitted by the burners to a soft red glow. The heater series uses electronic controls to simplify the interaction to 'single-touch', even with multiple heaters. The series also offers automatic re-ignition, safety monitoring and safety lockout and with up to 11.5kW directional heating capacity the heaters are capable of heating an area reaching 25m from the source. The heater is constructed primarily from stainless steel for durability and longevity, with a polished black face to suit the typical styling of a plasma TV. All 240V components are sealed in an IP44 enclosure.

» **Bromic Heaters:** 1300 276 642 or www.bromic.com.au