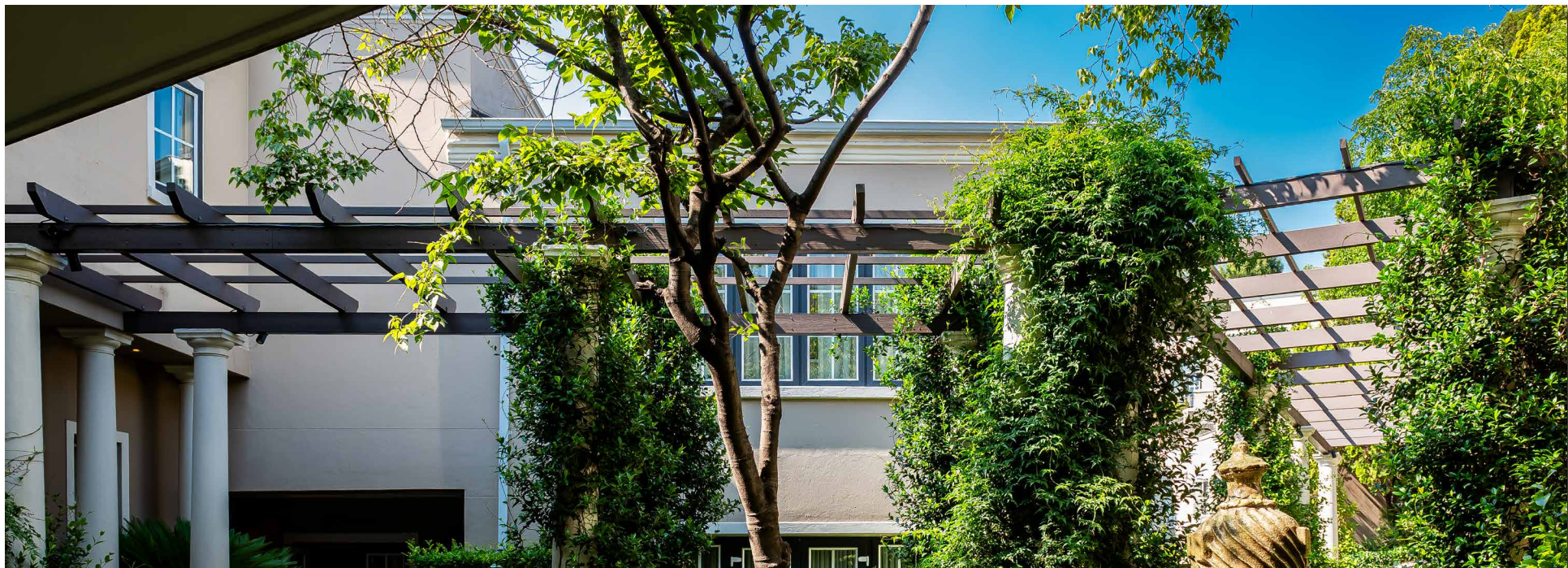




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Four Seasons The Westcliff Hotel - Lifespan composite architectural beams

Johannesburg, South Africa, 2023



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PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name

Four Seasons The Westcliff Hotel

Project Type

Hospitality

Description

Pergolas and balusters

Date of Installation

December 2023

Company Representative

Bernard Burger from Four Seasons Westcliff
Hotel

Architect

None

Size

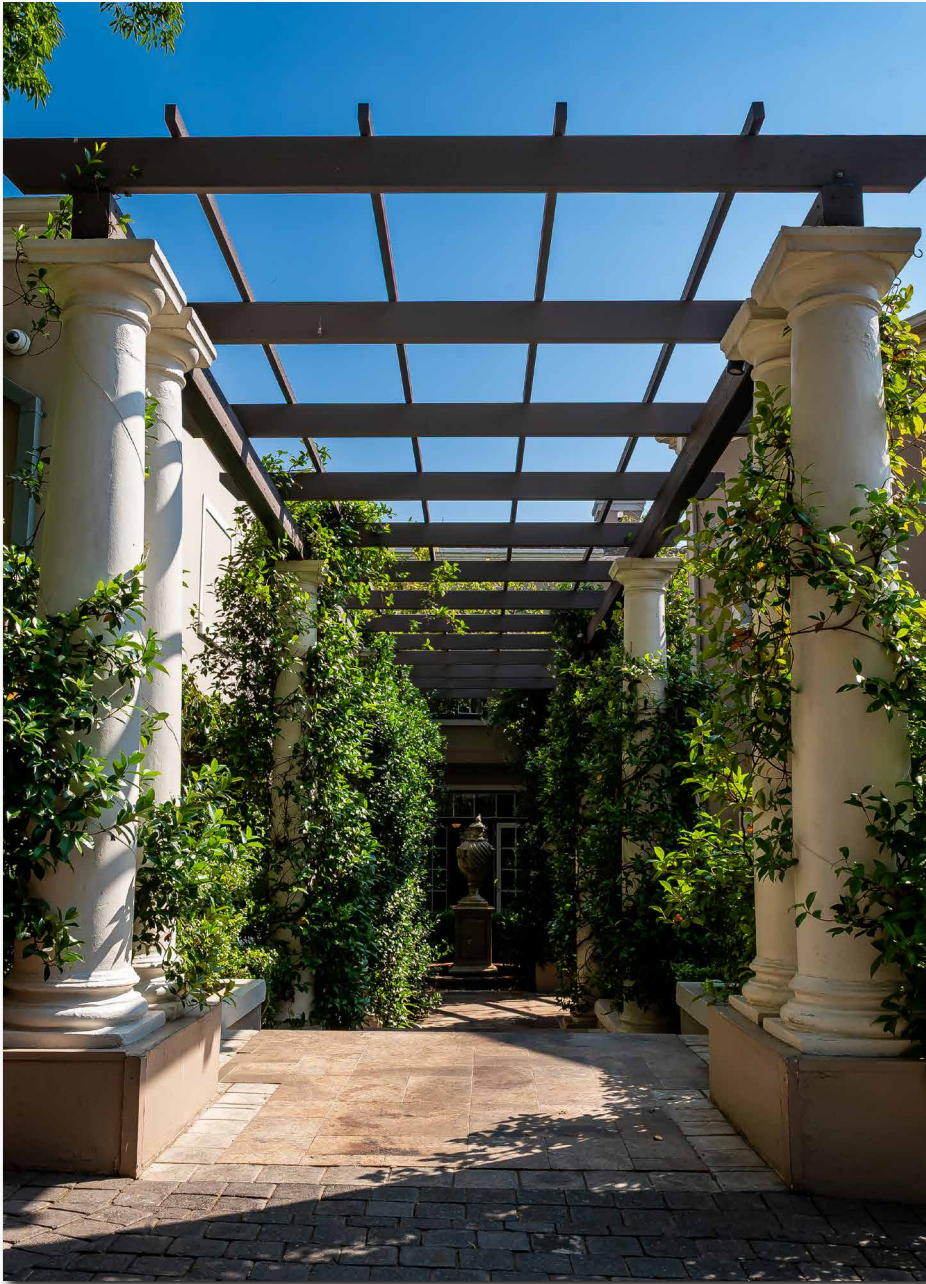
1537.80m²

Project Location

Johannesburg, South Africa

Product Used

Lifespan architectural beams in Aruna 150 x 50,
50 x 30mm. Balusters in Aruna



FOUR SEASONS HOTEL THE WESTCLIFF

The gracious Four Seasons Westcliff Hotel, perched on the leafy hillside of the posh Johannesburg suburb, is renowned for its panoramic views of the city's colourful canopy of trees. Built in 1997 as a hillside haven with a nod to the city's chic colonial heritage in soft pastel shades with masses of glass frontage (including a glass lift), the iconic complex features luxury suites set amidst manicured terraces and stone courtyards, shady pergolas and luscious landscaping.

Project manager for The Westcliff Hotel, Bernard Burger decided it was high time the old timber pergolas and exteriors were upgraded with a suitable replacement befitting this prime location. In 2023, the grand dame was expanded further down the slope to incorporate a glorious new glass-fronted ballroom and fabulous lobby, Apres-spa sundeck and nine new luxury villas.



A ROOM WITH A VIEW

An appealing long and luscious overhead pergola welcomes you to the fabulous new lobby at the entrance of the Westcliff Hotel. Dark and dramatic overhead Aruna Lifespan beams stacked on stark white columns draped with lush foliage and bright blue Agapanthas lead you down the paved walkway, anchored by a distinct sculptured steel fountain made from reclaimed mining materials at the entrance. No need to worry about splinters or mold, insects or pests, or degradation that would be expected from wooden rafters, the Eva-Last Lifespan beams ensure the structure will remain safe, secure and fit to grace the doorways for generations to come.

Each garden villa offers a small outdoor patio with a shady pergola to enjoy magnificent views of the terraces, courtyard or city skyline. In the dramatic dark-brown hues of Aruna, each pergola provides a striking architectural structure for future creepers and foliage on which to grow for shade. Decorative lattice screens provide added privacy from neighbouring guests.



BALLROOM BALCONY

An exquisite new ballroom with a balcony and pergola overlooking the manicured gardens invites guests outside to enjoy the spectacular day or nighttime views. The dark wooden tones of the Aruna Lifespan pergola contrast the striking façade of the glass-fronted facility which can be used for either weddings or conferences, furthering the symmetrical appeal of the new addition's design. This feature is so striking that it is immediately visible from a distance and the parking below, creating a sense of curiosity and continuity for the new addition.



APRES-SPA DECK

A stylish garden gazebo with plush loungers and soft towels with plenty of natural greenery overhead offers the perfect Apres-spa (after-spa) relaxation zone alongside the pool. Lifespan's architectural beams offer a slatted overhead structure to germinate gentle shade using some of the transplanted creepers for an added sense of serenity for guests. It also hides the potential eyesore of a bare structure for guests looking out from their rooms above, instead adding to the greenery for which the facility is so renowned.

Decorative slatted screens were used to hide unsightly areas such as the pumphouse or parking ramp that were visible from the villas above. In addition, extensive parking pergolas were erected which will be landscaped with creepers again to create practical but pretty shading.



PERFECT FOR THE PART

Eva-Last's lightweight Lifespan architectural beams were perfect for the pergolas. Not only do the bamboo composite beams look the part of natural timber – with its tone and texture – but their composite polymer coating is guaranteed to outperform its timber predecessor in terms of durability and low maintenance.

Each Lifespan beam's hollow-aluminium core ensures they make lightweight overhead installation easier, whilst providing a strong and stable structure for the creepers and planters to grow over.

What's more, Lifespan beams are impervious to weather so won't split or rot in the heat or rain, won't fade or discolour in the sun, nor will insects, mould or fungi from the foliage or shade damage or degrade them over time.



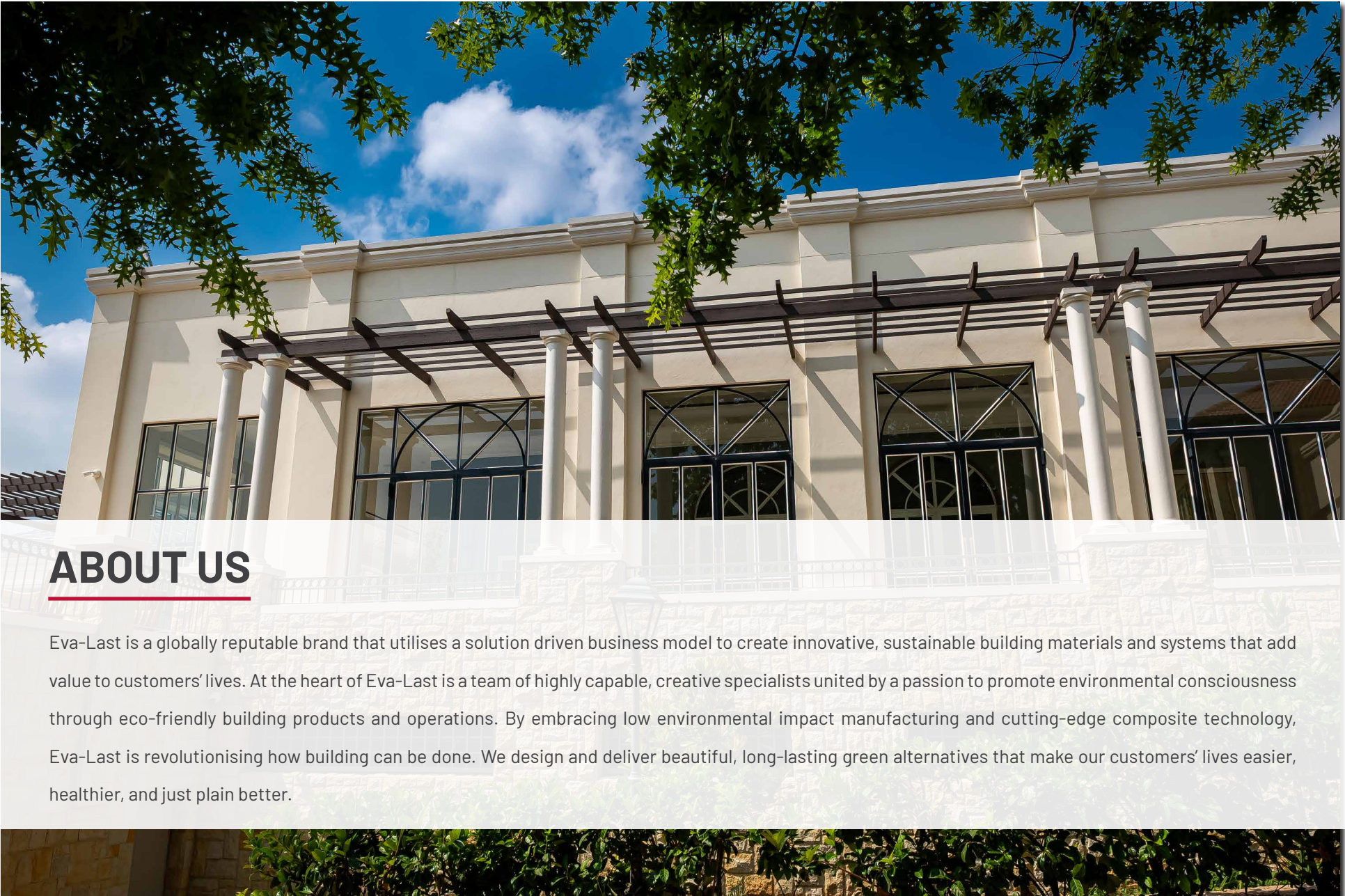
KEY INFLUENCER QUOTE

"The Lifespan architectural beams really gave us the appearance of natural timber without the weathering or maintenance. With a bit of ingenuity, we were able to enhance the aesthetic appeal of not only the building but the landscaping views too" said Bernard Burger, Project manager at the Four Seasons Westcliff Hotel.



SUMMARY

The Four Seasons Westcliff Hotel's recent upgrade to their exteriors and new additions has not only enhanced the aesthetic appeal of the building but the landscaping too. Exquisite wood-look composite pergolas, shady porticoes and decorative screens using durable, weatherproof Lifespan architectural beams and balusters not only look the part but lend themselves to creative executions fitting of this exclusive establishment.



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