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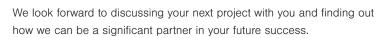
Welcome to the 17th edition of The Industrial Voice magazine! Throughout this magazine, we are excited to share several new sawmilling systems operating successfully throughout North America and Europe. In addition to recent installations, there are many new developments within our industrial equipment line and support team that have enabled us to better serve you and the industrial sawmilling industry.

For installations, you will hear from Oak Frame Company in Wales utilizing an LT70 sawmill system, Novar Sawmill in Scotland who upgraded to a WB2000 industrial sawmill system, Nelson Wood Shims in the USA who upgraded to a TV6000 twin vertical saw and MR6000 gang saw system, and a company in Mexico running

a WM4500 industrial sawmill system. Although each system is diverse in production and location, they all took advantage of our industrial team's expertise and equipment to satisfy their business needs and goals.

We are continuing to expand our equipment range with the recent introduction of the "TEAM 6000" range of high-throughput products that includes the EA6000 optimizing edger, TV6000 twin vertical saw, and MR6000 gang saw. In addition, Wood-Mizer's rapidly expanding material handling equipment continues to develop and improve with log ladders, step feeders, log singulators, log decks, log haul chains, belt conveyors, rollcases, transfer decks, hook decks, unscramblers and more.

We have also introduced the availability of the well-known TIMBERMASTER industrial planers from REX as well as other equipment offerings that allow our integration experts to design complete equipment solutions with automated and labor-efficient plant layouts that are critical to improve your return on investment. These developments, along with many others in the works, are part of our team's ongoing efforts to push our own boundaries and improve our product offering with the goal of making your business more profitable. Contact us for a complete customized system layout or to speak with our industrial team regarding new equipment to integrate into your operation.







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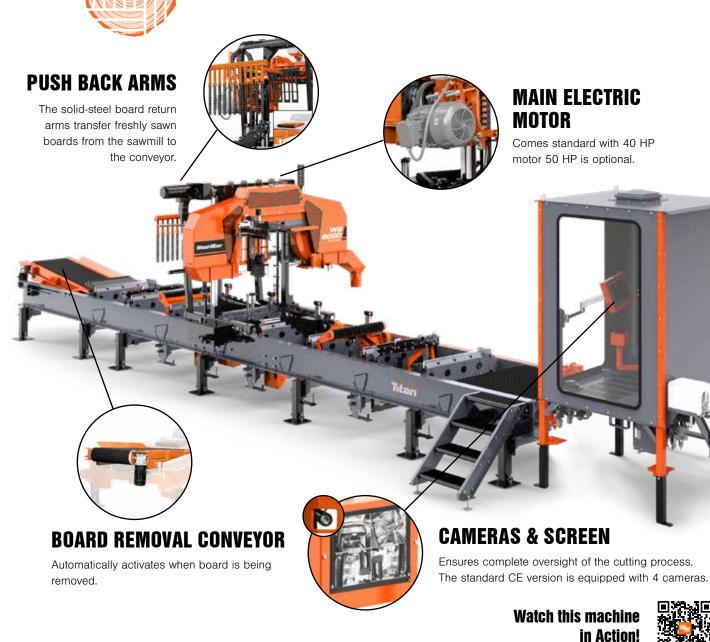
FEATURED PRODUCT

HIGH-PRODUCTION SAWMILLING AT ITS BEST



Get ultra-robust sawmilling capacity with the WB2000. Use it as a standalone mill to fully process logs into sawn lumber, slot it into a line, process heavy, irregular logs or produce custom orders that existing equipment can't process.

The WB2000's twin post sawmill head, large throat and heavily engineered sawmill bed are ideal for processing medium to large logs (≤ 6 tons) and log lengths between 4 to 27 ft into sawn lumber. The WB2000 Industrial Sawmill combines the increased yield of thin-kerf blade technology with the production demands of wideband sawmill blades.



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Scotland's breathtaking landscapes, ancient castles, and unpredictable weather offer a unique charm to travellers. Venture north of Edinburgh, and you'll discover Perth. You might think this the last bastion of civilization, but beyond the mountains lies Inverness, a surprisingly warm haven in Northern Scotland, blessed with a microclimate and fertile grounds.

Here, amid the richness of Scottish nature, Ronald Munro Ferguson, the owner of Novar Sawmill, found his calling in sawmilling and forestry 12 years ago.

I find much satisfaction in working with wood for many reasons - the way it smells and feels under my fingers and for numerous applications it has. We make a variety of wooden products, including fences, garden furniture, small sheds, and garden rooms," shares Ronald, who comes from a noble family with deep roots in forestry and sawmilling. Growing up on Novar Estate, surrounded by vast forests and lush grazing lands just 20 miles north of Inverness, he developed a profound appreciation for Scottish nature's beauty and value.

Novar Sawmill, situated on 7,4 acres with forests sprawling to nearly 9884 acres, is committed to sustainable forestry practices. "About a third of our forests are managed as 'continuous green cover' that we thin occasionally and leave for natural regeneration, while other two-thirds are grown commercially with Sitka spruce, Norway spruce, Douglas fir, and larch. We replant the felled forest area within five years," Ronald explains.

Embracing the potential of locally grown timber, Ronald observes "More and more people are becoming aware of the benefits of building from the local timber. Commercially grown trees like spruce, larch, and fir are great for constructing houses and cabins."

In the past, Novar Sawmill used to sell more than 300 sheds a year which was sourced from another supplier; however, Ronald decided to become independent, and he invested in modern machinery to be able to manufacture modular sheds and garden rooms on his own, in a much superior form.

The sawmill employs seven people who utilize cutting-edge machines and tools, including the WB2000 industrial sawmill with the log deck, a sorting table, and the EG300 board edger. The company also operates on an industrial-level planer which might soon be extended by another, more compact unit from Wood-Mizer.

"Earlier, we used to work on the LT70 WIDE sawmill set up in a production line, but we decided to sell it to another workshop in Wales and upgrade our sawmill to the WB2000," says Ronald. "We've got many large Douglas fir trees that are 120 years old, and our customers often ask us to prepare 19 to 23 ft long beams. With the WB2000 sawmill, handling this material will not be a problem."

For operating the WB2000 sawmill, only two people are needed - one controlling the mill from an operator's cab and the other receiving the material at the sorting table. "For Marcin, our operator of the former LT70 sawmill, it took only a few days to switch to operating the WB2000. Now he's saying it is excellent

to work with! He doesn't have to get up and look at the log because he has a good view from the control booth. He uses efficient hydraulics to load, turn and rotate the log, saving time and relieving stress. Additionally, he has several video cameras to view the cutting process closely," explains Ronald.

Apart from the EG300 board edger that Novar Sawmill utilizes for making all sorts of cladding for their customers, the company uses a CNC machine and an industrial planer for making large cants and beams. "In the future, we'd like to expand our workshop by adding a compact planer for making a variety of finished products, for example, lap-type cladding, floorboards, and profiled boards. Incorporating the four-sided Wood-Mizer MP360 planer into our production process perfectly reflects the motto, which we also find true in our case - From Forest to Final Form," underlines Ronald. "We grow timber in our woodlands to supply customers with finished products from a log through the entire process."

Ronald has been cooperating with Wood-Mizer for ages, ever since an acquaintance advised him about the specialized sawmilling equipment he used in his business. "I remember a certain sawmiller from South Africa searching for his family in Scotland, who was stunned when he realized how much forest land my family had but no proper sawmill to make good use of it. Soon, I contacted the Scottish Agent for Wood-Mizer and bought my first LT70 sawmill," reminds Ronald.

Having a long-standing relationship with Wood-Mizer, Ronald speaks highly of the brand and its dedicated team. "I've been thrilled with Wood-Mizer products and services. Keith Threadgall has always been very helpful to me, offering the best customer service whenever I needed it," Ronald affirms. He fondly recalls his visit to Wood-Mizer's factory in Poland, where he was warmly welcomed and impressed by the scale and organization of the manufacturing plant. 👿



At Novar Sawmill, the vision of sustainable forestry and fine craftsmanship come together. Ronald's passion for wood, complemented by Wood-Mizer's cutting-edge technology, creates a harmonious blend that echoes through the heart of Scotland's natural beauty.

As more people embrace the benefits of locally sourced lumber, Ronald's sawmill stands as a testament to the enduring legacy of his family and their deep connection with the land they cherish.

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The Showstoppers at LIGNA 2023



igna 2023 brought together 1,300 exhibitors from 50 nations, attracting an impressive 80,000 visitors, matching the pre-COVID 2019 numbers. Amidst the gathering, innovation was at its peak as Wood-Mizer unveiled a range of new products and solutions designed to empower customers and meet the ever-evolving challenges of the industry.

The Ligna exhibition in Hannover, Germany, came alive with Wood-Mizer's cutting-edge saw lines. Witnessing the grandeur of the WB2000 industrial sawmill, built to process large lumber volumes, and the TVS-HD twin vertical saw, transforming logs into pallet boards, left attendees stunned.

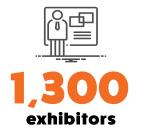
The revelation of the EA3000 Optimizing Edger added to the intrigue, presenting a robust solution for the sawmilling industry, reflecting Wood-Mizer's relentless pursuit of advancement and excellence.



Making Money by Turning Logs into Lumber

The company's complete product range was showcased at three trade show booths throughout the show.

Wood-Mizer installed two industrial sawmilling lines for log processing. The lines consisted of sawmills joined in a synchronous operating system by material conveyors that sort and transport lumber, slabs, edgings, and sawdust for further processing.









Wood-Mizer has been a long standing exhibitor at LIGNA - the world's leading trade show and marketplace for machinery and tools for the woodworking and lumber processing industry.





The first line is based on Wood-Mizer's flagship sawmill, the WB2000 industrial sawmill, which features a hydraulic log loading deck, an integrated automatic board removal conveyor, and the industrial MR200 Gang Rip Saw. The WB2000 was presented at LIGNA with a newly designed operator cabin, where an operator using joysticks at a control panel can comfortably control all the line functions, from log loading to positioning material on the sawmill bed, sawing, and removing finished boards from the sawmill for further processing.

Wood-Mizer's second industrial line processes logs into pallet boards and consists of a TVS HEAVY DUTY twin vertical saw (a new version of Wood-Mizer TVS first introduced at LIGNA 2023), a log loading ramp and sorting equipment, the HR700 horizontal doublehead band resaw, and the EG800 edger for slab processing.

At a separate booth, Wood-Mizer presented its newly formed division, Wood-Mizer Systems, which specializes in designing and manufacturing custom-made industrial sawmill lines for the specific needs of enterprises.

Increasing Productivity

One widely used option to increase sawmill productivity is to add an edger and multirip to the sawmill operation. In this case, the band sawmill produces unedged boards, passing through an edger/multirip with circular saws.

At LIGNA, Wood-Mizer presented a range of edgers for different scale demands: machines differing in power, performance, maximum board dimensions, and price.

The popular Wood-Mizer EG300 edger/ multirip has a 20 or 25 HP electric motor and a free-standing control panel with electronic Setworks. It can have 2 to 5 circular saws with a diameter of 14".





By providing a stage for the exchange of ideas, emerging technologies, and best practices, Ligna fuels the spirit of innovation and collaboration, driving the woodworking industry forward and ensuring its continuous growth and prosperity.

As a proud participant, Wood-Mizer showcased cutting-edge solutions, driving the industry forward and shaping a future of excellence and efficiency in sawmilling and wood processing. 💀



As part of the industrial lines at the Wood-Mizer booth, industrial versions Saw with motors from 2x20 to 2x40 HP of edgers and multirips were shown in action, including an EG800 edger with a 40 to 65 HP motor and four 15" circular up to 8" thick.





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saws, as well as an MR200 Gang Rip and several circular blades with up to 12 on each shaft capable of sawing lumber



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There is a new high-throughput range of machines making a name for themselves in the industry.



Cleverly referred to by some as "Team 6000", the new EA6000 Optimizing Edger, TV6000 Vertical Sawmill, and the MR6000 Gang Saw are game changers. Individually, each of these machines are big-time players. Together, Team 6000's impact extends beyond individual machine capabilities. They collectively embody the playbook about performance, production, precision, adaptability, and efficiency. Here are the inside plays on these machines.







Precision meets efficiency with the EA6000. This key player is designed to extract the maximum value from each board, ensuring minimal waste and optimal yield. Built for the most demanding, high piece-count edging applications, the EA6000 combines material in and outfeed systems with highly intelligent scanning to assess a board for the best value or volume before the scalable sawing zone executes the cut according to the scanned cut lines.

The result is increased yields produced at low production costs. No longer will valuable lumber be sacrificed due to suboptimal cutting techniques. The EA6000's adaptive cutting prowess is rewriting the playbook on resource utilization. High feed speeds and board production rates matched to flexible min/max thickness and width values make Wood-Mizer's EA6000 a game changer that builds bottom lines.



Assuming the key role of Team Captain, the TV6000 is a leader that sawmillers count on to drive productivity. Wood-Mizer's TV6000 combines various systems to flexibly process small to medium size logs into cants to achieve higher recovery and yield during secondary processing.

From start to finish, the TV6000 gives it all, starting with a customizable log infeed solution that executes the staged movement of logs to the log loader, which then orientates and loads the log onto the sharp infeed chain with overhead pneumatic press rollers supporting the log into the cut. Ready to jump into action, the heavy-duty, twin vertical primary breakdown cutting heads combine several features to produce accurately sawn equal open faces that are ideally prepared for the resawing process. Finally, the material exits the cut through the integrated outfeed system that is designed for productivity and safety.







The MR6000 is a powerhouse in the trio. With multiple blades working in concert, it can quickly and accurately transform raw logs into a variety of lumber dimensions. Its robust construction and advanced automation redefine what a gang saw can achieve. This machine's playbook centers around speed and adaptability, allowing wood processing environments to meet the demands of a fast-paced market without compromising on quality.

This flagship gang saw includes several cutting-edge features that are capable of performing multiple, high-tolerance cuts in a single pass. Flexible in and outfeed options, a large throat size, heavy-duty roller system, flexible component length capacity, dual arbour and blade system, power options, a rigid machine sub-frame for optimal alignment, intuitive controls, and wide opportunity to customize the MR6000, sets a new benchmark.





Industry veterans and newcomers alike are taking note, recognizing that Team 6000 isn't just a set of machines, but a strategic approach to wood processing that maximizes returns, minimizes waste, and embraces innovation.

As these machines continue to make a name for themselves, the playbook they've introduced is destined to shape the future of the industry, leaving a lasting mark on wood processing. m

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Wood-Mizer's entire industrial range is built on four decades of sawmilling experience and innovation that drives home a competitive advantage from entrylevel to high-volume industrial sawmilling applications.

The range combines low capital and operational costs with high recovery and reduced material, labor, energy, and maintenance costs for optimal returns.

Primary and secondary breakdown platforms are part of the range to work standalone or in a system. Plus, not to be overlooked, the endless configurations of material handling solutions for seamless systems and integrations.

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THE ART OF Material Handling

THE KEYSTONE TO UNLEASHING THE FULL POTENTIAL OF YOUR INDUSTRIAL SAWMILLING MACHINES

n the industrial sawmilling business, the efficiency of your machine might be the beating heart, but material handling holds the key to unlocking its true potential. Get it wrong, and even the most productive machines will fall short of their capabilities. Get it right, and you can maintain your focus where it matters most - on throughput, yield, uptime and efficiency.

Join us as we sit down with Luke Murray, Industrial Director of Wood-Mizer Systems, to talk about the often-unsung hero behind the scenes of every successful sawmill.

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Is material handling worth the investment?

Always. In fact, it is the most practical and rewarding investment you can make in your sawmill operation. It plays a crucial role in optimizing efficiency and is essential for maintaining a safe smooth flowing saw line.

Tell us how the strategic placement of the correct material handling will enhance the efficiency of a saw line?

In the intricate timing of industrial sawmilling, every second counts. Any inefficiency in material handling can lead to disruptions in the flow, causing delays, reduced productivity and potential bottlenecks.

Furthermore, improper handling of logs and lumber can result in material damage, increased waste, and additional costs. Material handling that aligns perfectly with specific site requirements optimizes the utilization of resources, maximizing throughput, yield and uptime.

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Are there any other benefits of implementing smart material handling solutions?

Beyond the gains in efficiency, smart material handling solutions have proven to be a cost-saving measure, significantly reducing labor costs and eliminating redundant positions within the mill. By providing employees with the necessary tools and support, well-designed material handling solutions, tailored to specific site requirements, empower the workforce to focus on their designated roles.

With our customers, we have repeatedly seen how material handling results in a safer and more predictable workplace, ultimately boosting worker satisfaction and promoting employee retention. The Return on Investment (ROI) on material handling can be swift, paying dividends through enhanced productivity and profitability.

How does Wood-Mizer support their clients with material handling?

In the last 5 years, we have quietly increased our proficiency in material handling and created an extensive range of toptier, pragmatic, and sturdy material-handling product families. It includes log ladders, step feeders, log singulators and more. These adaptable components can be configured for log length and diameter and custom-fit to accommodate the unique requirements of the sites. What is also great about it is that every product seamlessly complements their diverse levels of industrial machinery.

For board handling, we have a lineup of belt conveyors, rollcases, transfer decks, hook decks, even ending rollcases and unscramblers. Each piece is engineered to optimize workflow, ensuring a smooth transition from raw material to the final product.

Efficiency productivity and cost-savings is the trifecta achieved by integrating smart material handling into your saw line.

Do you have a success story you can share with us? Tell us about a sawmill that is doing material handling right?

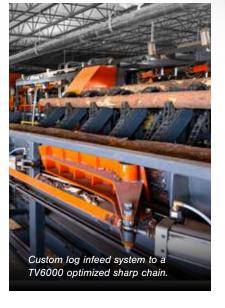
Wood-Mizer's largest industrial project to date is an ongoing installation in the Southwestern USA. We are proud to be one of a few key suppliers building a sawmill there that will become one of the largest Ponderosa Pine producers in the country. This is a project that you are likely to hear a lot more about in the future, but for now we will focus on the material handling aspects, specifically the log infeed system and residual systems that have already been installed and are up and running.

For these parts of the mill, we focused on capacity and equipment weight. As mentioned, material handling can easily become a bottleneck in any process. So, installing sufficient capacity is key to freeing up machine centers to do their thing.

Most of what we installed at this site was new development for Wood-Mizer and we have been pleased with the way that our engineers' attention to detail has paid off. We managed to balance equipment cost with functionality and durability and we produced good solutions that solved challenging site issues.

What was the most valuable lesson you learned through the installation of this system?

I learn this lesson on repeat: We will always be faced with budget constraints, but it is far better to find the



additional budget up-front to address foreseeable challenges right from the start, rather than waiting to tackle those issues when they arise. The incremental ROI gain from freeing up the system to run efficiently creates exponentially more revenue from earlier on in the project.

Who do we contact if we want to continue this conversation?

Gary Vande Linde, our sales engineer. He specializes in large systems and

will gladly assist anyone with questions or help them start the investment in building a custom material handling solution.

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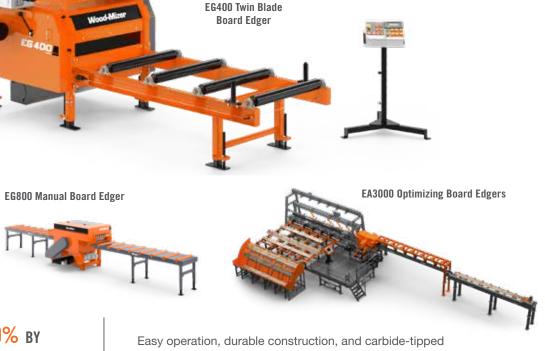


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We installed our first sawmill to process our own wood and vertically integrate the manufacturing process. Today, Wood-Mizer continues to help us further streamline and increase production without losing our reputation for high-quality. >>

e company made the decision to invest in a new sawmill system to maximize log yield while minimizing investment and operational costs. Nelson Wood Shims cuts a variety of shims from top quality coniferous wood grown in North America and around the world. These small, wedge-shaped pieces of wood are a big deal both to Nelson Wood Shims and the customers who depend on them to align and level surfaces or provide support for construction projects. That's why Nelson Wood Shims takes pride in providing high-quality and consistent wood shims for DIY enthusiasts and construction contractors. With 65 years of manufacturing and marketing experience, their recognizable products are sold through many well-known and national home improvement retail stores.

In the Summer of 2014, Nelson Wood Shims was not in the sawmill business. "We were struggling to procure the fiber we needed, and our wood shim sales continued



Based in Minnesota, Nelson Wood Shims is the largest shim, manufacturer in North America, producing high-quality products for nationwide distribution. This highly respected company recently invested in a comprehensive industrial sawmill system that Wood-Mizer designed and installed to help this modern sawmill operation move to the next level.



See how the sawmil line came together and watch the system in Action!





BRIAN PETERSON President, Nelson Wood Shims

"To uphold the legacy of our founder Wilbur Nelson, the manufacturing of highquality true shims consistent in width and length and with feathered ends, is very important to us," said Brian Peterson, President, Nelson Wood Shims.

to increase," said Scott Berg, Plant Manager, Nelson Wood Shims. "We began looking at solutions to our problem and Wood-Mizer had an entry-level sawmill that would fit in our current building at the time. Wood-Mizer helped with the learning curve as we had not operated a sawmill before."

In 2015, Nelson Wood Shims added a Wood-Mizer LT50 Hydraulic sawmill to their operation to process logs. "We installed our first sawmill to process our own wood and vertically integrate the manufacturing process. Today, Wood-Mizer continues to help us further streamline and increase production without losing our reputation for high-quality," said Brian.





As Nelson Wood Shims continued to grow, the company turned to Wood-Mizer to find a solution to expand their sawmill capacity. "We were familiar with Wood-Mizer's support and desire to please their customer," said Scott. "Wood-Mizer provided an automated system at an affordable price." The Wood-Mizer Sawmilling Solutions specialist team designed and installed a new high-throughput commercial processing line to meet the specific requirements of Nelson Wood Shims.

SCOTT BERG

Plant Manager, Nelson Wood Shims

Nelson Wood Shims' sawmill system features a Twin Vertical Saw and a MultiRip Gang Saw that incorporates **innovative system controls allowing one operator to process** the logs to lumber for reduced labor costs. With the integrated material handling components, lumber moves through the system efficiently for sorting and stacking. The company counts on the system to provide highly accurate cuts along with an excellent sawn finish which improves recovery savings further down the line in the dry-milling and finishing process.



The TV6000 Twin Vertical Saw is Wood-Mizer's largest and most robust primary breakdown twin-vertical saw, handling a high-throughput of small to medium diameter logs up to 21.8ft in length. "The main priority at this primary stage in the log breakdown process is to achieve equal open faces on the sawn cant," said Luke Murray, Wood-Mizer Sawmilling Solutions.

Our twin bands achieve equal open face cutting using a fast and accurate log feed system coupled with pressurized holddown rollers and a sharp feed chain. This allows for higher recovery down the line at the multirips, also known as gang saws."

The multirips, saws capable of making multiple high tolerance cuts in a single pass, make up the next stage.

C The Wood-Mizer range of industrial machines allows us to meet the needs of customers who are experiencing growth or have growth goals.

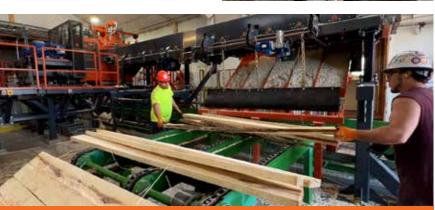
We were thrilled to work with Nelson Wood Shims and install an innovative, heavy-duty sawing system on-time and on-budget.

LUKE MURRAY OF WOOD-MIZER

Optical sensors detect the presence of material, activating pneumatically assisted driven hold-downs to apply pressure down onto the cant, guiding the timber accurately through the MR6000 Gang Saw. "The MR6000 is a workhorse machine, producing the majority of finished product in most sawmills." said Luke.

Providing added flexibility, each machine is designed to operate as a standalone unit and can be configured differently in a sawmilling line should the requirements of Nelson Wood Shims change. Wood-Mizer's system engineers and manufacturing capabilities combined with project management, training and commitment to customer service allowed the team to build a heavy-duty, high recovery, and reduced labor system that is running efficiently for Nelson Wood Shims.

Shims is just one example of Wood-Mizer's growing global reputation for providing innovative sawmilling systems. "The design of this system is matched to the customer's needs and coupled with solid construction and plenty of power. We believe it will produce high-throughput and top-quality results for Nelson Wood Shims for many



"We appreciate the hands-on involvement, service, and commitment the team provides to support us. This is the start of a long-term partnership with Wood-Mizer," said Brian.

vears to come," said John Smith, CEO, Wood-Mizer. "Our dedicated teams are focused on helping our clients build longterm solutions that generate maximum return on investment."

Brian and Scott said that the installation process went very smoothly and the Wood-Mizer team provided in-depth training on all the equipment for mill personnel.

"Wood-Mizer delivered on-time and provided excellent installation service. When we ran into challenges, Wood-Mizer was both fair and reasonable as we worked through them," shared Scott.

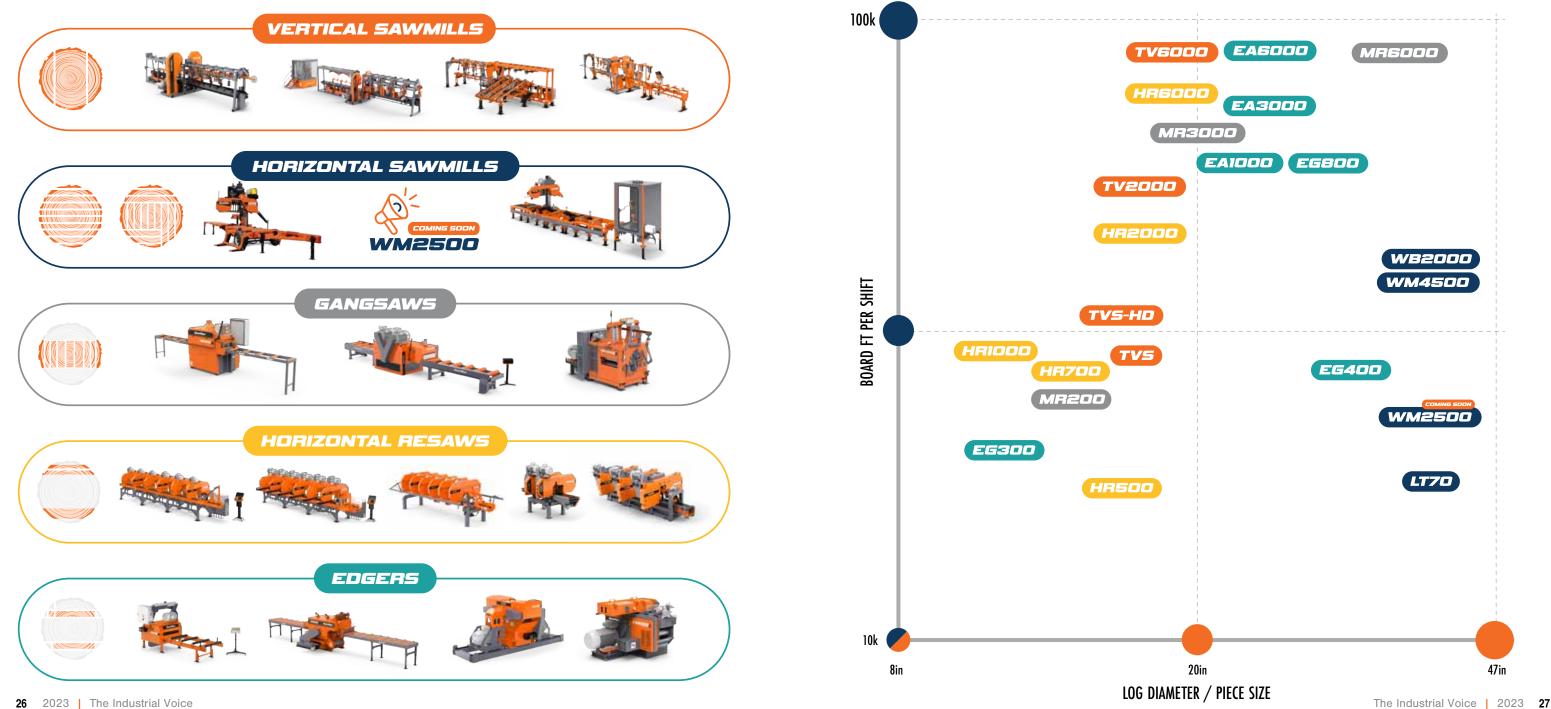
Watch the video to see how the sawmill line came together and see the system in action. www.woodmizer.com/blog



"Our output has increased by 30% to 50% with less people!" said Scott Berg, Plant Manager, Nelson Wood Shims. "The consistent cuts through the gang saw also allowed for eliminating a planing process."

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TOGETHER, WE'LL FIND YOUR ULTIMATE SAWMILLING SOLUTION

Simon's passion for wood led him to venture into tree felling and joinery work soon after completing his secondary education. "I started my sawmilling about 30 years ago with a fellow contractor. I should mention my fellow sawmiller Dai Watkin Jones, who helped me a lot in establishing my business. I then built my sawmill based on a big circular rack sawmill, which I later upgraded to a static band sawmill.



Thirteen years ago, I moved to my current location and bought my first portable sawmill, the Wood-Mizer LT40," Simon recounts with a sense of accomplishment.

Unlocking the Beauty of Oak

SIMON BELFIELD'S SAWMILLING STORY

n the picturesque setting of Saint Asaph, Northern Wales, the Wood-Mizer Open House event unfolded at the Oak Frame Company in June. Simon Belfield, a devoted sawmiller and the company's owner, specializes in crafting exquisite oak and larch products, ranging

from charming cabins, gazebos, and garden sheds to awe-inspiring oak roofs, framing, and constructions. "I have always enjoyed working with wood," Simon says warmly. "Wood appeals to everybody. It has so many end-uses. It's a phenomenal product at the end of the day."

The LT40 served him well in handling the volume of lumber back then. Today, the fast and fully loaded LT70 sawmill. accompanied by the EG300 board edger, the log deck, and the material sorting table, paves the way for production improvements. "We decided to upgrade our workshop to the LT70 sawmilling line because it can handle a higher throughput of lumber," Simon explains excitedly.

"The durable log deck can take enough logs for one work shift. The sawmill head and bed handle large logs, which is ideal for customers looking for wider boards. There are board fingers behind the sawhead to remove the freshly sawn lumber onto the conveyor belt that transfers it to the next machine."

A crucial machine in Simon's sawmilling line is the EG300, which crafts precise dimensional lumber. "I like my EG300 because it eliminates the handling process through the sawmill. Now receive the slab off the mill, forward it to the edger, put the boards on the sticks, and off it goes to the dryer. We make ready-lumber without even having to touch it again," Simon explains.

In June, Oak Frame Company hosted a crowd of visitors who were interested in seeing Simon's Wood-Mizer machines in action and observing the art of transforming oak into premium wood products.

Apart from the machine demonstrations and getting an inside look at Oak Frame Company, Wood-Mizer experts offered valuable advice on sawmilling and woodworking projects, fostering a platform for customers to share insights and experiences with fellow sawmillers and woodworkers, including Simon and his team. Simon enthusiastically shared, "Yesterday was busy for us with so many people visiting the show."



⁽ Each time I'm about to cut open a new log, I can't wait to see what grain and texture I can discover inside. It always makes my heart miss a beat.

SIMON PROUDLY SHARES



Those that attended the show ranged from entrepreneurs and startups to established commercial sawmillers who are always keeping an eye on the industry and exploring their options. This event gave visitors the opportunity to also explore complementary products, such as the MB200 SlabMizer that efficiently surfaces and flattens high-quality wood slabs, as well as the newest MP280 four-sided planer/moulder and the reliable MP360 planer/moulder unit. "We've recently been making some oak tabletops on the MB200 SlabMizer, which turned out stunning. This machine can do what other machines can't do. With the SlabMizer, you can take off a minimal amount of material without losing much on the thickness of the slab. Wide boards and slabs are very marketable,

and customers are willing to pay extra for these premium products."

As the Welsh open house drew to a close, visitors left with newfound insights inspired by the remarkable advancements in wood-processing technology. Simon's passion for wood and the innovative Wood-Mizer machines stood as a testament to the artistry and expertise behind creating premium wood products. The event was an enriching experience, fostering connections within the wood-processing community.





The unit fuses a range of systems to accurately open two vertical sides in one pass on ≤ 6 logs/minute. An incline loading deck and automated log turner move and rotate logs to the ideal cut position. A moving bottom sharp chain and overhead pressure rollers guide the log into the cut.

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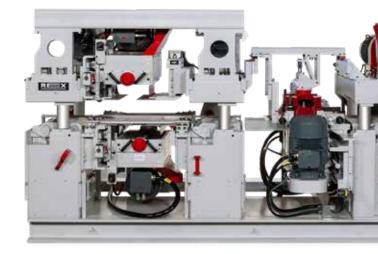
Wood-Mizer and REX have crossed paths for years at industry n the ever-evolving lumber industry, sawmill operations are known to always be exploring ways to expand their business, shows, as well as on site at customer operations throughout add value to their wood products and increase their bottom Europe. Both companies hold a mutual respect for the other and line. Recently, Wood-Mizer has talked with many customers a shared interest in all things wood. Furthermore, the two allies looking to commercially produce a shaped, planed and moulded equally specialize in vigorously designing and producing reliable finished product without completely changing their business setup and innovative machines that cater to the needs of various or breaking the bank. With a listening ear and a commitment to lumber operations worldwide. With so many natural connections, being a complete "Forest to Final Form[®]" provider. Wood-Mizer a willingness to work together came easily. made the decision to offer a well-known, compact planer moulder Sawmill operations in the USA can rest assured that Wood-Mizer

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The MR200 Gang Rip Saw will increase the productivity of a sawmill, as well as save time and significantly reduce the amount of work needed to rip cants. Reliability, accuracy, versatility and ease of use make the Wood-Mizer MR200 Gang Rip Saw a profitable investment in large production plants.

This Gang Rip Saw can be equipped with 12 circular saws on each arbor, significantly speeding up the cant-cutting operation. The maximum width of the cut is 21.2". Considering its technical parameters, the machine is extremely compact. The feed speed is adjustable from 4,92 to 49,21 ft/min.

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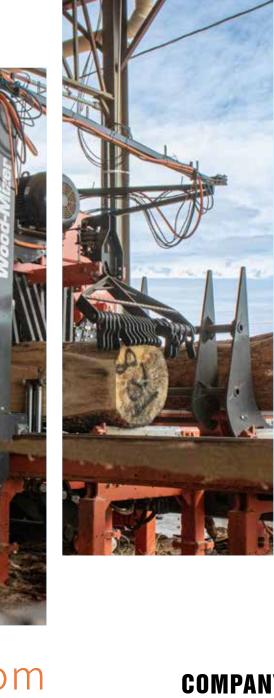
Reduces downtime by protecting sawdust chutes from clogging up and forcing operators to stop the machine to clean out wooden chips, offcuts and other debris.

DRIVEN PRESS ROLLS

On both the infeed and outfeed are located close to the saw blades for sawing cants as short as 27,6".







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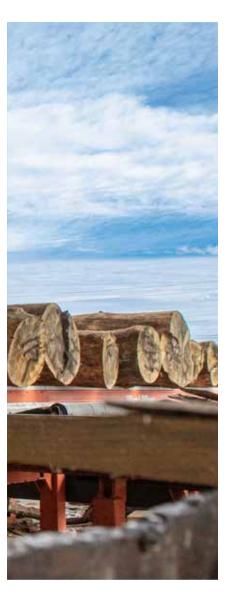
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COMPANY INSTALLS INDUSTRIAL SAWMILL TO DIVERSIFY AND GROW

n the city of Puerto Palomas de Villa, located on the border between the United States and Mexico, a company dedicated to the manufacturing of wooden railroad ties and posts has expanded its operations with a Wood-Mizer WM4500 Industrial sawmill. This expansion reflects the company's strong determination to successfully carry out the entire wood production cycle. Established in 1986, the company initially focused on producing railroad ties and wooden posts. However, approximately five years ago, the company implemented a strategic diversification plan that led them to enter the market for finger joints, mouldings and components used indoors and interiors.

"It was my brother's vision that led to the establishment of the company in 1986," explains Javier Palacios, the owner of the company, as he narrates the history behind its establishment.

His brother's experience working at a creosote plant sparked the idea of treating wood with CCA (Chromated Copper Arsenate) preservative – a chemical wood preservative composed of chromium, copper and arsenic compounds known for its effectiveness in protecting wood from decay, insects, and fungal infestations. Additionally, they set up a copper salts

autoclave business. An autoclave is a specialized device used for sterilization and various industrial processes requiring high-pressure and high-temperature conditions. In this context, the copper salts autoclave was used to facilitate the impregnation of wood with the CCA solution, ensuring thorough and uniform protection. With determination and perseverance, the business gradually grew over the years.

"We prioritize getting the utmost value from wood. We've implemented various operations to ensure efficient utilization," explains Luis Anchondo, the engineer leading the production process. "The company's business model is to procure logs and conduct a step-by-step process to create a variety of products. These products are then distributed among different companies under our management."

Maximizing Production Efficiency with the Wood-Mizer WM4500 Sawmill

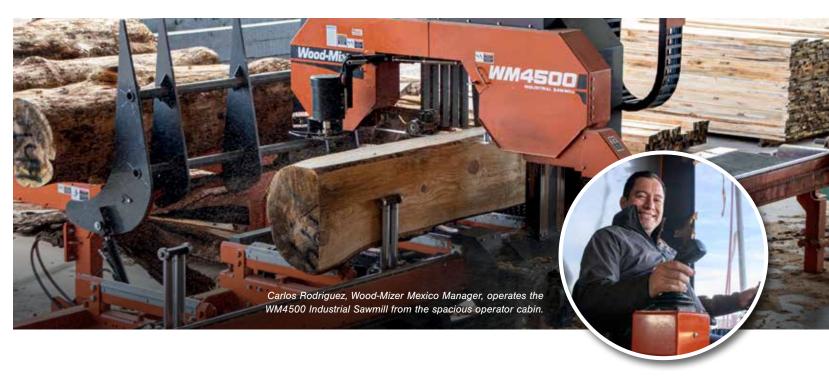
The company has always aimed to close the lumber production cycle from raw material to finished product. Therefore, the company processes the logs and carries out the necessary downstream steps to produce a product that is ready to sell.

"Upon the arrival of our logs, we start by processing them on the Wood-Mizer WM4500 sawmill. This serves as the first crucial step in our production process," explains Luis, "Subsequently, the lumber is sent for drying in either kilns or stacked for air drying, depending on the specific process being employed."















Before owning their own sawmill, the company faced difficulties in obtaining boards with the desired dimensions from suppliers. The high demand for lumber in Mexico contributed to the scarcity and increased cost of custom-sized lumber. The WM4500 sawmill has become a crucial asset for the company, granting them a valuable advantage over their competitors. With the ability to purchase logs and saw them according to their specific needs, the company has been able to minimize their operation costs.

The WM4500 sawmill is a robust and high-performance sawmill, with many of the benefits of Wood-Mizer's world-renowned range of industrial sawmills. The WM4500 can be used as the primary equipment for wood sawing or for preparing logs for further processing. Equipped with a high-performance engine and a robust, thin kerf blade, this sawmill can effortlessly process logs of various sizes and species.

The WM4500 sawmill sets itself apart with its incredible features, which include an operator cab for enhanced convenience. This industrial-grade sawmill boasts a high-pressure blade lubrication system, reinforced dual-rod side supports, heavy-duty angled bed rails, an off-feed conveyor and roller, two powered taper rollers, a board drag-back, hydraulic chain log turners, a floor-anchored log clamp, a laser sight, and a user-friendly human-machine-interface control screen. Moreover, this powerful sawmill model is capable of cutting logs up to 21 feet long.

One of the key advantages of the WM4500 sawmill is its ability to maximize efficiency without compromising on precision. The cutting process is automated, ensuring consistent results and minimizing waste.

The sawmill also has a hydraulic log handling system that simplifies the loading and positioning of logs, reducing downtime and increasing overall productivity. With its accurate measurements and smooth cutting action, the WM4500 effortlessly saws railroad ties, posts and more.

C Upon purchasing the equipment, Wood-Mizer strongly advised us to set up our own sharpening center. When you are working nonstop and a blade becomes dull, having an immediate replacement is important. Our equipment ensures blade maintenance, providing both sharpening and setting of the blade. **D**

Resource Utilization and Self-Sufficiency

Not only does the group efficiently utilize their lumber resources, but they have also established a sustainable process that minimizes waste. Sawdust and bark are utilized as a fuel source in the boiler that powers the kilns. They also recover slabs by turning them into moldings and finger joints. Through these methods, the group has achieved an impressive level of resource utilization and self-sufficiency.

The sawmill has not only increased the company's productivity and efficiency but has also opened up opportunities for expansion. Currently, they have the capability to produce 9 thousand board-feet per day with the Wood-Mizer sawmill. However, they have plans to acquire a resaw machine to optimize their process and further increase production. In the finger joint area, the company already produces an impressive 150 thousand board-feet per month, while in the railroad ties area, they handle an average of 3 to 4 thousand railroad ties sleepers per month.

"We are determined to fully exploit the capabilities of this fantastic piece of equipment," Javier expresses eagerly. Alongside their commitment to maximizing efficiency, the company is actively pursuing expansion into a new city and scouting for the perfect location. Their future plans include acquiring another Wood-Mizer sawmill and establishing a complete CCA treatment plant, equipped with all the necessary facilities.

The completion of the lumber production cycle and the path towards selfsufficiency are primary goals for many companies operating in Mexico, and Wood-Mizer sawmills have proved to be a valuable asset to increase production efficiency and versatility.

"The investment in equipment such as the Wood-Mizer WM4500 sawmill provides the opportunity to optimize and customize different processes," states Carlos Rodriguez, Wood-Mizer Mexico Manager. "Javier Palacio's company is a great example of how investing in quality equipment and implementing efficient processes can pave the way for businesses to successfully reach their goals for growth and expansion."



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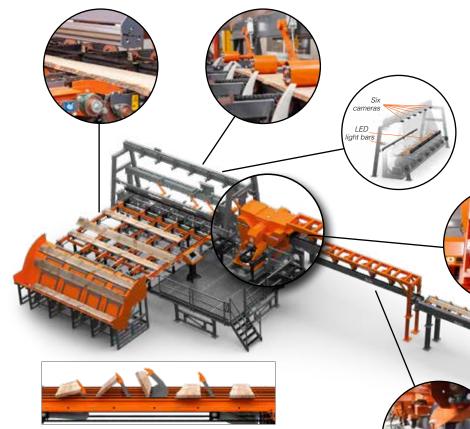
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