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Olympia Canyon Home

RAUVISIO terra™ Loft Oak and Vineyard Oak add tactile depth to minimalist home.

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More than meets the eye: Forest-inspired surfaces add tactile depth to minimalist custom home

Outside of Las Vegas, a pair of local small business owners reached a milestone in their success: they were ready to build their dream home. They envisioned a modern and simplistic design, characterized by clean lines and a minimalist aesthetic. Yet, they knew simplicity didn't have to mean predictability.

The homeowners had an in-depth design consultation with cabinet shop Peterson Cabinet Works, where they defined a two-toned cabinetry design featuring the forest-inspired RAUVISIO terra.

Choosing this soft, textured HPL surface was not just about aesthetics; it was about creating a tactile experience that matched the visual appeal of the finish.

While some engineered wood surfaces fall short of mimicking real wood, RAUVISIO terra stands out with its deeply textured wood look and feel. Plus, the surface offers several durability advantages compared to TFL and melamine, such as impact, chip, fingerprint and scratch resistance.

"RAUVISIO terra offers consistent colors and a nice texture," said Dave Peterson, owner of Peterson Cabinet Works. "Some materials have a nice look but when you touch them, they don't match what you see. Terra has a tactile sensation that matches what you're seeing. I use it on a lot of my projects."

The homeowners were drawn to a neutral color palette, selecting the sophisticated gray shade Loft Oak and the warm-toned brown shade Vineyard Oak. "Vineyard Oak complemented the flooring and decor, while Loft Oak added a nice pop of contrast with its darker tone," Peterson noted.

RAUVISIO terra Vineyard Oak was chosen for the TV console, upper and lower kitchen cabinetry, floating shelves, pantry and cabinets within the wine cellar. RAUVISIO terra Loft Oak was used for the kitchen cabinets surrounding the fridge and stove, adding striking contrast to the space.

"The whole house features these two surfaces," Peterson shared. "Depending on the room, it's one of these shades, creating a complementary design throughout the house."

By blending modern design with the tactile elegance of RAUVISIO terra, the homeowners' vision and Peterson's craftsmanship resulted in a home that is simple yet entirely individual.



Project: Olympia Canyon Home, Las Vegas, NV

Project type: New construction, completed in 2024

Cabinet shop: Peterson Cabinet Works

REHAU products used: RAUVISIO terra™ Loft Oak and Vineyard Oak with perfectly matched REHAU LaserEdge™ technology

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