



TEAK UNIVERSITY

A.R.B. Teak lives and breathes Indonesian teak furniture. It's because of this passion that we're committed to sharing our wisdom and knowledge so that you too can become a teak expert.

We truly believe the more you learn about teak, the more you will not only come to see it as the only solution for bath and spa furniture, but also come to fall in love with it – like we have!

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Teak & Specialties



Adding a stand-alone shower to any bathroom project is exciting! And a shower bench is a great addition to any bathroom remodel. It adds an additional design element, functionality, and is all-round useful.

We've often found though, that designs seem to default to built-in tile or marble shower benches, without first comparing the merits of a stand alone. Why? Perhaps because the tile or marble required has already been decided upon. Or maybe it's because built-ins look impressive on the pages of home decorating magazines and website. Or maybe it's just forgetting they exist!



Whatever the reason, *A.R.B. Teak* believes that stand-alone, teak shower benches outperform built-ins on a every level, from budget, to function, to look. Let's see if you agree!

10 reasons stand-alone is better than built-in



1. Less expensive

In terms of both initial investment, including reinforcing the walls and building the seat structure, and time for cleaning and maintenance, stand-alone beats built-in hands down.



5. Cleaning

Eliminates extra grout and front surface areas that attract dirt and soap scum and makes cleaning more difficult.



2. Loss of real estate

Often clients feel buyer's remorse over the permanent loss of space in the shower due to shower benches that they rarely sit on. Don't chance it!



3. Cold and slippery

Let's face it. Sitting on cold marble is shocking at the best of times, never mind in the shower. Built-ins require heat up time before you can comfortably sit down. Tile and marble is also slippery when wet and soapy. Teak, on the other hand, is always warm to the touch and antislip – wet or dry.



4. Flexibility

A teak bench is movable, giving you more flexibility in terms of placement. Need to inch it closer or further from the water? No problem! You're never stuck in one spot.



6. Maintenance

All corners on a built-in shower bench can turn in to points of failure. Don't end up with major renovation headaches because your seat is leaking into the wall or floor, causing mold to grow.



7. Design

In most cases, a free-standing bench makes the shower look bigger – great for small spaces. Teak also looks great in any bathroom design.



8. Water stack

Does the water even reach the planned built-in? It would be nice to be able to sit AND have the water on you at the same time.



9. Beauty

Teak's warm honey colour is the perfect natural complement to the glass, tile, and chrome already in place. Add a teak shower floor and you've instantly transformed your bathroom to at-home spa!



10. Versatile

Need extra seating? A stand-alone shower bench works in a pinch!

Don't settle for the status quo!



Make your clients bathroom remodels stand out from the crowd with a teak shower bench (and a teak shower mat). They'll be eternally grateful every time they sit down on a nice, relaxing, and WARM teak shower bench!
