## **FSC**<sup>®</sup> What is FSC?



The Forest Stewardship Council<sup>®</sup> (FSC) was founded in 1992 with the mission of stopping deforestation by providing a practical, voluntary, market-based approach that would promote responsible forestry. The FSC is a nongovernmental, non-profit organization that promotes environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests. In addition, the FSC uses certification bodies to offer trademark and accreditation services for businesses who wish to help protect forests and the people who depend on them. The FSC promotes the use of forests in a way that will ensure their continued health while still meeting the needs of each industry.

## Why choose FSC?

When you choose products from responsibly managed forests, you are promoting a sustainable future. By advocating for forests, you help defend the rights of the countless animals that inhabit each forest ecosystem, protect the quality of water in forested areas, prevent the harvest of rare old-growth forests, stop the loss of natural forest cover, and prohibit highly hazardous chemicals in wooded areas, which could damage an ecosystem.

The FSC also promotes the ethical treatment of forest workers and the nearly 1.6 billion people worldwide who depend on forests for their livelihood. In some countries, as much as 80% of timber is collected illegally, often accompanied with the violation of human rights and the destruction of countless acres of forest land. By advocating for responsible forestry, you can help ensure that not only are these people treated with respect and integrity, but that they are rewarded for their commitment to the future of our forests.

## Bayside and the enviroment

Bayside has been FSC certified (FSC<sup>®</sup> C103525) since 2008 and we are proud to continue our commitment to using paper that does just as much good for the environment as it does for our clients. By choosing to renew our certification each year, we at Bayside are making a direct, positive impact on the world's forests and the countless people who depend on them, in this generation and the next.



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