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## Tree Bark Siding for your House

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This is just too cool not to post. It's the bark of the poplar tree, harvested by hand when a tree is cut down. The bark is then flattened, dried in a kiln, then graded for thickness. It is then sold as siding for your home.

Long lasting? Yes. According to Highland Cratsmen Inc., it can last up to 75 years. Green? Yep. It is even low-maintenance; no chemical treatments or sealers are required. Expensive? On the higher end of the spectrum. FHB reports costs in the \$5-8 per square foot range.

Credits: [Fine Homebuilding Magazine, Issue 182](#) put me on to the material, the photo came from the [Highland craftsmen website](#).

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