



More than 7,000m² of aluminium composite panels were installed for the Savannah project at Sydney's Wentworth Point. Based in Chipping Norton, Sydney, Australian Cladding Specialists manufactured the panels in their 1,500m² factory featuring the latest high-tech machinery.

"We fabricated, cut, bent, grooved and installed the finished aluminium composite panels. It's a standard wall cladding system used on major projects. The panels had complex patterns, which took a bit for our engineers to design. There were random patterns, different sized panels and the design meant a lot of lines were not in a straight grid like pattern, as often is seen on buildings of this size. It made for a very interesting design and look," said Director, Carsten Prien. "When we install our façade cladding, we water test them to check for leaks. These were extremely watertight. 100%. That's hard to achieve, but we did that by paying attention to detail and doing it correctly the first time, and not rushing through."

Carsten set up the company with Co-Director, Claus Maarschalk about three years ago. They have more than 50 years combined experience in the Australian business world, and more than 27 years experience in the cladding industry.

"We had about 14 staff work in our factory manufacturing the panels for the Savannah project and another 14 onsite in the peak periods, plus our engineers in the office working full time on this project, to supply drawings for the factory to fabricate," he said. Our biggest challenge was keeping up with the program to finish a floor each week, as the scaffolding was being moved up by the main contractor, Parkview.

As well as supplying and installing aluminium composite panels, Australian Cladding Specialists also offer terracotta panels, sandwich panels and Colorbond cladding. "Our focus is to go well beyond our clients' expectations by delivering a higher standard of work while adhering to our commitment to safety," he said.

Since completing the Savannah project, ACS has picked up two larger contracts with the same builder, Parkview. Iconic projects that ACS has completed include the Uniqlo clothing store in Surfers Paradise and the Meriton serviced apartment building in North Sydney.

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