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From New York
to Arcadia, NSW,
Australia: Relocating
9,930 Miles at 229yrs Old.



Owners of Lacote Labradors fell in love with this New York State Barn and it is easy to see why. This amazing structure was built in 1791 and uses no ‘metal nails’ – it is constructed totally by geometry and wooden pegs.



Lacote Labradors are based in Arcadia, a semi-rural suburb of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, approximately 40 km north-west of Sydney’s CBD. It’s a long long way from New York, but they just had to have this barn as an extension to their house.



To make their dream come true they had the barn deconstructed by specialists in America, shipped to Sydney and driven to their home in Arcadia. Five Americans then flew over to Sydney and reconstructed the barn in just four days.



The flooring of the barn is old recycled Hemlock. Hemlock is a beautiful pale softwood timber native to North America. If you look closely at the floor, it is damaged and deeply scratched, but this is the desired effect and tells the story of the past when animals lived in the barn – up to 229 years ago!



(Threshing is the process where an animal walks around in circles to separate grain and in the process creates this effect.)

Once installed in its new location this aged timber needed some Tender Loving Care.



Contractors The Hun Floors were employed to do the job. They chose Urethane Coatings non-hazardous waterborne system WaterKote® 2K Bare Timber for the job.



Two coats of WaterKote® 2K Bare Timber were applied to protect the 150m² of Hemlock timber, while ensuring the natural bare timber appearance and look was retained.

Keeping this amazing time piece looking good! 

