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Antarctic scientific base built with Makita

Antarctica is Earth's southernmost continent, containing the geographic South Pole. It is situated in the Antarctic region of the Southern Hemisphere, almost entirely south of the Antarctic Circle, and is surrounded by the Southern Ocean. It is on average, the coldest,

driest, and windiest continent on the planet.

This became the venue for a scientific base camp which was built for a company with the name of White Desert organisation, who take guests down to Antarctica during November and December each year.

A staggering 9 tons of wood fixtures and fittings was flown in at around November 2011 and in November / December 2012 a team of 8 travelled to the region to get the job done, in very trying

conditions. For the first 10 days, winds of up to 40 - 60km/h were experienced with a daily temperature of -10°C. The team worked 18 hours each day through

the weather to get the job done in 19 days.

Makita Power Tools were used by the team for the construction of the scientific base. Team leader Oliver Dawson reported that they found the Lithium-lon cordless tools to be particularly good. The battery life of the BL1830 3.0Ah model was seen to be very good and charge time of the DC18RC charger was fast. The cordless Li-Ion circular saw, BSS610ZK, impressed the group, handling 156 x 38 timber without any hassle at all. It also cut about 60 sheets of 18mm plywood used as flooring. The BHP454ZK Li-lon cordless impact driver drill coped extremely well with about 100 coach screws and 3500 pozi screws with no problem at all. They also used it to fasten all the bolts while assembling the pods. On returning to Cape Town, the impact driver drill was taken to Power Tool Repairs in Woodstock for a service, where they couldn't find anything wrong with it.

Their technician said that the machine still looked brand new inside.

Oliver said that the LS1018L compound mitre saw is accurate, easy and a pleasure to use. He said that it was their saviour on the project and that he wouldn't travel anywhere without it.

> The N5900B Circular Saw was described as a beast! It made over 250 cuts on an angle through 228 x 56mm pine beams, without missing a beat. It was, as all the tools were, in the snow, slid-

> > ing across the ice, falling on the rocks, out in the open in temperatures of -15°C for hours at a time.



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was assembled on top of a 9m x 5m platform.

am leader and owner of the

company which undertook the

contract, Oliver Dawson, says that

the Makita Power Tools were

fantastic in the tough conditions. His

company, named Composites

Training Academy, based in Cape

Town South Africa, delivers world

class training programs, knowledge

transfer projects, global secondment

opportunities and technology

development projects. Oliver himself gained wide-ranging experience in

production as well as project

This project saw six composite

luxury accommodation pods

assembled on top of six octagonal

7m x 7m wooden platforms. A seventh pod was used as a shower

unit. Next to the shower unit, a guest

Lounge/Dining facility was built on

top of a 22m x 8m wooden platform

into which leads the kitchen which

management, along with

extensive

molding and

technical exp-

erience across various sectors



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With this model you are perfectly

equipped for private use. Whether you

prune trees or cut firewood - this handy chain saw will convince you with its excellent starting behaviour, high

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The Maktec MT191 Power Planer has a high planing capacity with an ergonomically designed handle with rubberized soft grip which fits your hand perfectly to provide maximum comfort and control. MT191:



Foot on Base plate protects workpiece and blade from scratches and damages. V-groove on base for easy chamfer cutting.

The Maktec MT111 has field-proven, reliable performance from handy and lightweight body. Consists of a precision machined large aluminium base for planing accuracy.







Easy Start: Spring assisted starter combined with optimized engine management



Fuel pump (Primer)



Touch&Stop one lever operation



Nose device keeps tank cap away from hot engine parts

Technical specifications	
Power rating	1,7 kW
Power rating	2,3 PS
Displacement	35 cm ³
Weight (dry, w/o bar)	4,4 kg
Fuel tank capacity	0,4 L
Oil tank capacity	0,29 L
Vibration damping	yes

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Chain tensioning	Lateral tensioning
Automatic oilpump	yes
Catalytic converter	no
Guide bar	35 cm
Chain	492 3/8" 1,3mm
Guide bar	40 cm
Chain	492 3/8" 1,3mm

DK1202 Cordless Li-Ion Kit







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Maktec MT924 Orbital Sander

The Maktec MT924 125mm Random Orbital Sander has an ergonomically designed palm grip for comfortable operation with better control. A Rocker ON / OFF type switch provides efficient operation. It has a Hook & Loop type disc pad for quick disc change.



The sander has a built-in dust extraction system making it connectable to Makita vacuum cleaners without the use of an adapter. It has a 240W high powered motor. Orbits per minute of 12,000 and strokes per minute of 24,000 are some of the reasons why this machine is seen as an industrial performer with high durability. Standard equipment includes a dust bag and abrasive paper.



Making a Baby Crib

Aspiring woodworker, Angelo Williams recently completed his baby crib project using Makita power tools. Angelo needed a baby crip for the new addition to his family and undertook his biggest woodworking venture to date. His interest in woodwork started after attending various demonstrations on Saturday mornings and quickly understood the concept of learning by doing his own projects. He has a wide selection of Makita tools in his workshop and decided to put them to use on this task.





The Makita SP6000K Plunge Cut Saw was used to cut slats for the cot. In addition to this it was also used to trim the drop-side to make it easier to slide. This machine is sold with a 1.4m rail and 2 x clamps included.

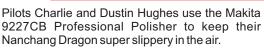






A Makita Cordless Ni-Cd Driver Drill was used with a hole saw to drill out ends of the slats. The Maktec MT924 Orbital Sander was used for all sanding jobs. The end result of the project was very professional.





The Nanchang Chinese Airforce Military Trainer has a 10,000cc motor with 285HP. It reaches speeds of up to 250km/h.

The Makita Polisher is ideal for keeping the vintage aircraft looking as good as it flies!







Editor's Notes

Makita sponsored Enduro Team

Makita South Africa now sponsors the Off Road Enduro team, GAS GAS PINETOWN, for the 2013 South African National enduro championship, the KZN X Country championship, Kwa-Zulu Natal enduro championship and the prestigeous ROOF OF AFRICA event at the end of the year in Lesotho. The GAS GAS Team took part in the 3rd round of the KZN WFO Enduro Series in New Hanover area on the 8th of June 2013. Of the 150 starters, team rider Scott Scheepers finished the gruelling 3 lap enduro in 5hrs41mins in 6th Overall and 2nd in Open Class. Teammate Germaine Goldstone finished a credible 12th Overall and 7th in Open Class. Congratulations to Team Gas Gas!



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Build a Rocking Horse Winners

Recently, the Home Handyman magazine held a competition to design and make a metal or wooden Rocking Horse. There was great prizes up for grabs including an R8000 Makita / Maktec Power Tools voucher for 1st Place. The prize for 2nd place was a Maktec MT870 Rotary Hammer and 3rd prize was a Maktec MT080E 14.4V Lithium Ion Cordless Driver Drill which includes two batteries and a charger.



The rocking horse was judged in two categories "Innovation and Craftsmanship" with three winners in each category. Innovation took a look at creativity, taking into account imagination, originality, resourcefulness and functionality. Craftsmanship was judged according to quality of craftsmanship, degree of difficulty, joinery and overall finish.



1st Place: Innovation 2nd Place: Craftsmanship André Riekstins

2nd Place: Innovation André Gous

3rd Place: Innovation Andre Gous

1st Place: Craftsmanship Vincent Hubner

3rd Place: Craftsmanship Leigh Richards



