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1867 CONFEDERATION LOG & TIMBER FRAME
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An idyllic retreat nestled among the trees of the Kawartha Lakes is a dream for many homeowners.

People building in the Kawarthas are looking for a simpler lifestyle in a comfortable, casual setting, which renews them from their life in the city,” says Rick Kinsman of 1867 Confederation Log & Timber Frame. “They want to feel like they and their home are a part of nature. They are respectful of their surroundings and usually want to minimize the disturbance, and become a part of the setting.”

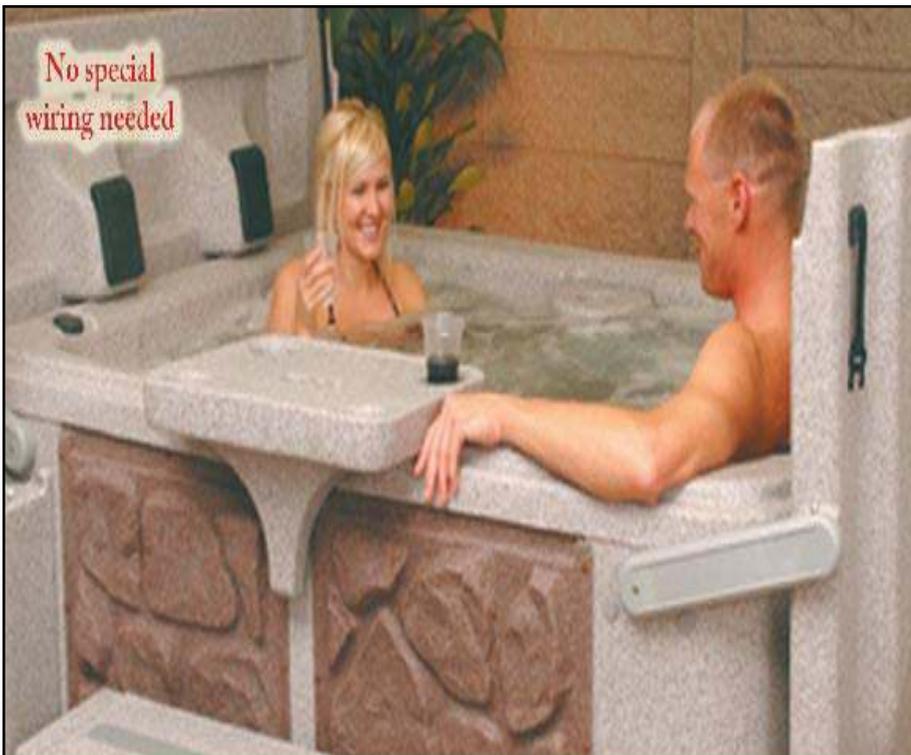
Building a traditional log home always fulfilled the natural look requirements for many clients of 1867 Confederation Log & Timber Frame. As a custom log home manufacturer for over 30 years, 1867 has seen an increased request by clients to incorporate large timbers into designs either combined with traditional log construction or as the main structure. As a result 1867 Confederation Log and Timber Frame Homes has changed both their name and product to reflect consumer demand by introducing timber framing to its standard inventory.

“Many people are familiar with the reputation and log buildings of 1867 Confederation Log Homes. Over the past couple of years we have done so many timber frame buildings we felt that it was important that our name reflect the increased product line.” says owner Rick Kinsman.

As anyone who has ever owned a timber frame residence will tell you, these unique accents and innovative designs create not only a home, but an experience. From the exterior, deep overhangs, multi-gabled rooflines and massive columns create a vision of permanence and strength. Inside the beauty of the wood is displayed in ceiling beams that vary from simple straight lines to complex curves, beveled edges and carved pendants.

“We love it,” say the Botterbergs, owner of an 1867 Confederation Log & Timber Frame home on Pigeon Lake. “We saw the model home in Bobcaygeon and fell in love with the open concept main living area. The cathedral ceiling with large windows and loft appealed to us. It just had a cosy feel. “

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For these happy homeowners the sun-room with timber frame accents combined with large windows and doors opening to a deck allows them to enjoy the natural setting whether indoors or out.

“All of our buildings are totally custom built”, says Kinsman. “Whether you choose log or timber frame or a combination of the two we work with every client to create a design that is unique to their particular wants and needs. Timber frame options include king, collar tie, hammer beam and scissor truss designs which can be employed for a single room or throughout the home”

1867 Confederation Log and Timber Frame has eliminated the extensive labour formerly required to create traditional joints by utilizing a unique fastening method. It is completely invisible, thus maintaining the timeless heritage look of post and beam construction. It is certified for tension and shear and five times as strong as a normal mortise and tenon joint. Savings in extensive labour costs permit the look of timeless craftsmanship at an exceptional price.

A log or timber frame home from 1867 Confederation Log and Timber Frame also meets the requirements of modern homeowners concerns about the environment. Logs are a natural product: recyclable, biodegradable, and renewable. At 1867 locally grown, sustainable forested wood is used; lumber is air dried, using less energy in the manufacturing process than kiln dried. The thick log exterior walls mediate temperature differentials and improve energy efficiency. 1867 Confederation Log and Timber Frame achieved a significant “green” milestone as manufacturer of the first log home in Canada to achieve an Energy Star rating.

Timber accents provide a unique opportunity to create a custom look for both new construction and renovations. For your new home or cottage, or simply to update your existing home with a timber frame entry or sunroom, contact 1867 Confederation Log and Timber Frame to discuss available options. 1-877-GO-2-LOGS.