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BUY FROM SURINAME

Construction materials and industrial processing

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SURINAME'S CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING OFFER

Suriname combines abundant natural resources, established industrial producers and regional market access to supply construction materials and industrial products to Caribbean and international buyers

WHAT DOES SURINAME OFFER BUYERS?

Suriname combines abundant mineral and forest resources with established industrial producers to supply construction aggregates, timber products and value-added building materials to regional markets

Existing export experience, integrated logistics infrastructure and proximity to Guyana, the Caribbean and French Guiana enable efficient delivery to fast-growing construction markets

Supported by responsible resource management and transparent government oversight, Suriname offers buyers a reliable source of construction materials and industrial products



Established industrial production

6
Major producers operating in the country

100 +
Licensed forestry operators

US$ 86 m
Construction mineral exports 2021-2025

US$ 80 m
Wood export value in 2024

Sustainable resource base

93%
Forest cover, one of the world's most forested countries

10 +
Quarry and aggregate operations currently active in the country

Suriname Forest Service and Geological Mining Department
ensure sustainable forest management and responsible resource management and licensing

Growing regional market opportunities

US$ 11 billion
Guyana infrastructure development pipeline

30,000 new rooms
Planned for development across 27 Caribbean nations

4 million tonnes
Estimated demand for aggregates in French Guiana over 10-years

Trusted production and export readiness

ISO and ISPS
Certified facilities and ports supporting international exports

SFISS System
Supports digital forest management, concession monitoring, and inventory management

Export permits
Transparent permitting and compliance processes

ESTABLISHED INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING ECOSYSTEM

Suriname's abundant mineral and forest resources have supported the development of established industrial processing industries producing construction materials and value-added wood products

- Mineral and forest wealth sustain a strong industrial base
- Proven producers, processors, and export capability
- Low deforestation, responsible practices, and global sustainability standards

CONSTRUCTION AGGREGATES AND NATURAL STONE – A solid foundation for regional growth

Key products		Key data	
crushed rock	gravel	**US$ 86 m** Construction mineral exports 2021-2025	**6** Major producers operating in the country
sand	granite	**10+** Quarry and aggregate operations	

Key producers

SUSTAINABLE TROPICAL TIMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS – Sustainable forests and quality products

Key products		Key data	
sawn timber	flooring and decking	**436,000 m3** Commercial timber production 2024	**351,000 m3** Wood exports in 2024
mouldings and joinery	prefab houses	**US$ 80 m** Wood export value in 2024	**100 +** Licensed forestry operators

Key producers

SUPPORTING INDUSTRIES STRENGTHENING THE CONSTRUCTION VALUE CHAIN

Concrete and building products

- Ready-mix concrete
- Concrete blocks
- Precast elements
- Infrastructure materials

Key producers

Construction chemicals and plastics

- PVC pipes and fittings
- Tanks and water storage
- Paints and coatings
- Adhesives

Key producers

EXPORT PLATFORM AND REGIONAL MARKET ACCESS

Integrated port infrastructure, shipping connections and proximity to fast-growing regional construction markets enable efficient exports of materials, timber products and industrial goods

COMPETITIVE EXPORT OFFERING

Short shipping distances

Strategic Atlantic location enables efficient and cost-effective deliveries to regional markets

Established exporters

Surinamese companies already export timber and construction materials across the region

CARICOM market access

Preferential access through the CARICOM Single Market supports duty-free trade across the Caribbean

Integrated industrial logistics

Private ports, river transport, and terminals ensure reliable movement of bulk and project cargo internationally

GROWING REGIONAL CONSTRUCTION MARKETS

Guyana

US$ 11 billion+ planned infrastructure investments in the coming years

Supporting major road, bridge, port and housing developments that are driving demand for construction materials across the country

Products in demand

- Construction aggregates
- Structural timber
- Concrete products
- Building materials

Caribbean

50 hotel developments across 27 Caribbean nations and 30,000 rooms planned 2024-2028

Expanding hotel developments are driving demand for high-quality timber products, interior finishes and prefabricated building materials

Products in demand

- Flooring and decking
- Joinery and mouldings
- Prefabricated timber products
- Paints and coatings

French Guiana

4 million tonnes estimated demand for aggregates in French Guiana over 10 years

Population growth and housing expansion are supporting long-term demand for aggregates, timber products and construction materials

Products in demand

- Construction aggregates
- Sawn timber
- Concrete products
- PVC pipes & building materials

EXPORT-READY LOGISTICS PLATFORMS FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

Dr Jules Sedney Port

- 130,000 + TEU combined annual container handling capacity in DP World and VSH terminals supporting container, bulk and breakbulk cargo
- Handles timber, aggregates, mining cargo, cement and project cargo

Kuldipsingh Port facility

- 400 m berth
- 110,000 m² storage yard
- 11,500 m² warehousing
- Handles bulk cargo, timber, aggregates and project cargo
- ISPS and ISO certified

Moengo inland port

- 21-hectare logistics and industrial compound
- ISPS and ISO certified inland river port
- Supports mining, forestry and industrial cargo
- Strategic gateway serving eastern Suriname

MEETING INTERNATIONAL BUYER REQUIREMENTS

Responsible resource management, established industrial production and transparent government oversight support the reliable supply of construction materials and industrial products from Suriname

Sustainable resource management

Suriname's abundant forests and responsible resource management provide a strong foundation for sustainable exports

93% forest cover

One of the highest forest cover rates globally, supporting longterm sustainable timber supply

Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)

Forest concessions operate under approved management plans with annual harvesting limits and longterm resource planning

Responsible mineral resource management

- Geological mapping and resource assessment support long-term mineral development
- Commercial quarrying regulated through mineral licensing by the Geological Mining Department (GMD)
- Quarry development subject to environmental and land-use restrictions in protected areas

Export-ready production capability

Established producers across key industries deliver consistent quality, capacity, and reliability for international markets

Value-added manufacturing

Commercial processing of aggregates, kiln-dried timber, concrete products, and industrial building materials increases product quality and consistency

Integrated production systems

Leading producers integrate extraction, processing, and export logistics across the value chain for greater efficiency and reliability

International operating standards

- Leading producers operate ISO-certified management systems
- Wood product producers supported by FSC-certified suppliers
- ISPS- and ISO-certified logistics facilities support export operations

Governance and traceability

Public institutions provide oversight and systems that promote transparency, legal compliance, and traceability

Suriname Forest Service (SBB)

- Forest concessions
- Harvest permits
- Timber inventories
- Export permits

Geological Mining Department (GMD)

- Quarry licenses
- Mineral rights
- Geological surveys
- Site inspections

Sustainable Forest Information System Suriname (SFISS)

The SFISS supports digital forest management, concession monitoring, and inventory management

Export compliance

Timber and mineral exports supported by legal harvesting permits, licensing and concession systems, export documentation and inspections

How can we help you?

SITA supports international buyers at every stage of the sourcing process, from identifying the right suppliers to ensuring products meet your specifications and are delivered reliably

Why work with SITA?

1. We work with your purchasing and sourcing teams to fully understand and document your requirements
2. We will help identify suppliers who can meet your specifications in terms of volumes, quality, certifications for market entry, packaging, prices and shipping
3. We can help our local companies to meet your requirements through support to upgrade quality standards or packaging
4. We can support local producers to consolidate to meet your volume requirements

Ready to source from Suriname? Get in touch!

Contact SITA to discuss your requirements and connect with export-ready construction materials suppliers and industrial processors

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