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TITAN XT®

PREMIUM ARCHITECTURAL SHINGLES

MATINICUS ISLAND TITAN XT® SHINGLE CASE STUDY

MATINICUS, ME

Imagine living on a remote island – even in today’s times, how would you go about choosing the right products to protect your home from the extreme elements and unpredictable weather? On Matinicus Island – 22 miles off the coast of Maine, TAMKO’s Titan XT® shingles have been put to the test. With their industry-leading high wind warranty for wind speeds up to 160 mph,* Matinicus Island’s weather is unpredictable, with property owners constantly battling elements ranging from biting cold winters to humid summers, and from ice and snow to high winds.

Reflecting on the relentless weather challenges faced by their community, Eve Murray, the town clerk, stated, “We are at the mercy of the weather,” a sentiment echoed by Ellen Bunker, a resident and local lobster fisherman, who added, “If it can blow off, it will.”

Such comments underscore the critical need for dependable roofing solutions like TAMKO’s Titan XT® shingles in such demanding conditions.

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— Matinicus Island,
Town Clerk, Matinicus, ME

For this project, Titan XT® shingles were identified as the best shingle for this install given their resilience in harsh climates, by a TAMKO® certified contractor, who is accustomed to the unrelenting weather in Maine.†

“In this climate, it seems like an ideal product to use – with all the high winds we experience, the winter storms, the summer microbursts, and all the coastline with the high winds,” explained Eric James, a partner for a TAMKO® certified contractor in Maine.†

Titan XT® shingles are crafted with some of the most advanced innovative technologies, and these shingles are designed to help withstand the fiercest conditions nature can muster.

Scott MacDonald, Senior Project Manager for a TAMKO® certified contractor, led the installation on the Matinicus Island home.† He praised the technical merits of Titan XT® shingles. “Titan XT® is my preferred shingle. It lays flat. It seals well. It withstands the weather that we experience in the State of Maine from the extreme cold to the extreme heat.”

* 160 MPH wind warranty requires TAMKO® starter and TAMKO® hip and ridge. See TAMKO’s full High Wind Application Instructions for all requirements and restrictions.

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TITAN XT® SHINGLES PUT TO THE TEST – HURRICANE LEE** TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS

Just a week after the installation of Titan XT® shingles on a home on Matinicus Island, a severe storm struck, putting the new roof to an immediate and rigorous test.** Despite the intense weather, which wreaked havoc on another brand of roofing materials, not a single Titan XT® shingle was displaced.†

Throughout the winter, the region endured brutal conditions with tremendous wind, surf, and storms that damaged many coastal homes. One of these storms was Hurricane Lee, a Category 5 hurricane that made landfall in September producing tropical storm force winds in Maine.**

MacDonald knew from working with Titan XT® shingles that the product had significant advantages for this project: “Titan XT® has great sealants on the shingles. We’ve experienced many blow offs with competitor shingles, and the sealants that are on the Titans grab the shingle as soon as they’re laid and lock the roof right together.”†

Despite fierce storms that toppled trees and wreaked havoc across the island, the home remained intact, with the roof fully performing as expected.

Titan XT® shingles, having proven capable of withstanding the severe weather conditions of Matinicus Island—from high winds and driving rains to harsh winter storms—were a fitting choice for this unique and challenging project.**

Titan XT® shingles have also stood up against other extreme weather conditions like Hurricane Ian.** The innovation behind Titan XT® shingles is defining new standards for roofing in extreme conditions.

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† TAMKO provided the roofing products and paid for portions of the installation featured in this case study.

** TAMKO's Limited Warranty and High Wind Application covers properly installed Titan XT® shingles up to 160 mph. Hurricane results generally demonstrate the performance of our products; however, our Limited Warranty does not cover hurricanes. Please consult TAMKO's Limited Warranty and Application Instructions for all requirements.



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