



## BUBINGA DATA SHEET

**Botanical name:** Guibourtia Demeusei, G. Tessmanii

**Country of origin:** Africa

**Veneer thickness:** from 0.6 to 2 mm

**Specific gravity:** 890-910 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (air-dried)

**Use:** excellent wood for cabinet-making since it makes beautiful veneers. Used for high-end furniture. Since the trunks can be significant in size (heights up to 45 metres), Bubinga can be used to make mass-produced tables and furniture.

**Characteristics:** the sapwood has a whitish or light brown colour and is unusable. The heartwood is reddish to reddish brown with darker veins. Bubinga is a hard and heavy wood, very resistant to both plant parasites and wood-boring pests.

**Drying:** it must be dried slowly to prevent deformation and breaking. When the wood is wet or damp and in contact with metal, it tends to develop patches of bluish discolouration.

**Surface:** It has a fine grain, rare, not easily visible pores and a uniform texture. Suitable for any type of stain or varnish.

**Gluing:** normal joints are easily made and provide excellent resistance to mechanical stress.