



## MALABAR EBONY DATA SHEET

**Botanical name:** Diospyros Malabarica

**Country of origin:** Asia

**Veneer thickness:** from 0.5 to 2 mm

**Specific gravity:** 1100-1300 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (air-dried)

**Use:** used in a manner similar to Makassar Ebony for luxury furniture, interior furnishings and wall-coverings. Compared to Makassar Ebony, it has the advantage of having a larger trunk, from which it is easier to obtain larger veneers that are easier to work.

**Characteristics:** the sapwood has shades ranging from white to light reddish-brown. The heartwood is dark, with different shades of black, permeated with many light streaks. Compared to Makassar Ebony, the colour is more opaque and not as bright.

**Drying:** drying must be done slowly to avoid tearing.

**Surface:** compared to Makassar Ebony, the structure is not as fine and has more open pores.

**Gluing:** glue joints do not create any particular difficulties, unlike nail joints.