



## OKOUME DATA SHEET

**Botanical name:** Aucoumea Klaineana

**Country of origin:** Africa

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

**Specific gravity:** 400-500 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (air-dried)

**Use:** widely used as plywood and for plywood panels. Extensively used in carpentry and for the construction of light boats. A particular use is for cigar boxes.

**Characteristics:** light wood, on average hard and not very compact. The sapwood is greyish in colour, distinct from the heartwood which is salmon pink with tones ranging from grey to red.

**Drying:** drying is easy and not problematic.

**Surface:** medium to coarse texture, variable grain, straight or slightly wavy and intertwined. The application of varnishes does not cause any significant problems.

**Gluing:** glues easily and holds well. Screw and nail joints are also easy.