



# Lati

## BOTANICAL NAMES

Amphimas ferrugineus

Harms Amphimas pterocarpoides Pierre

It belongs to the Leguminosae cesalpiniaceae family

## TRADE NAMES

Known as lati, because of its appearance it is sometimes improperly referred to as white wenge.

Bokanga - Congo

Gworluh, Lati - Ivory Coast

## GROWTH AREA

This species is typical of the tropical zone of West Africa.

## TECHNOLOGICAL FEATURES

The narrow sapwood, whitish or creamy white in color, is weakly differentiated from the yellowish-brown heartwood, which tends to darken over time. The wood is heavy, hard and compact, with a coarse texture and straight grain. It is not particularly durable and is attacked by Lyctus.

## DRYING METHOD

The drying process must be carried out very slowly and with care in order to avoid cracks or buckling.

## SPECIFIC WEIGHT

When air-dried, its average specific weight is 500 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

## MAIN USES AND WORKING

Although it is not difficult to work, it has a certain tendency to break. It is good to proceed with preliminary drilling, where joints are applied with nails and screws. Easily sandable, it lends itself less easily to coating due to its structure of alternating tangential bands. It is normally used for floorboards, panels, decorative plywood, and various other carpentry works.

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"Details make perfection  
and perfection is not a  
detail."