



# Rio palisander

## BOTANICAL NAMES

Dalbergia nigra.

It belongs to the Leguminosae papilionaceae family.

## TRADE NAMES

Rosewood Rio Italy

Brazilian rosewood Great Britain Palissander Brasil, P. Rio F  
Jacaranda do Bahia, jacaranda do Para, cabiùna, j.  
rajado, j. Roxo - Brazil

## GROWTH AREA

This variety of rosewood is typical of Brazil, in particular of the area of Bahia and Para.

## TECHNOLOGICAL FEATURES

The sapwood is clearly distinguishable from the heartwood and has a yellowish-white color, while the heartwood is characterized by beautiful dark red or bluish-violet, reddish-brown or tobacco colors, with darker, almost black veins and a beautiful decorative appearance. The wood is hard, medium-textured, unctuous, with a slight smell of rose, more pronounced in fresh-cut material.

## DRYING METHOD

The drying process achieves optimal results, although it must be carried out slowly.

## SPECIFIC WEIGHT

When seasoned in the air it has an average specific weight of 870 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>.

## MAIN USES AND WORKING

This is a decorative wood, so it is mainly required in cabinetmaking in the form of veneer, to make fine furniture and ornaments. It is also used to make knife handles, brushes, billiard cues, etc.. Being rather hard and compact, it is not easy to work. Since it contains extractive oils, it is difficult to glue and paint. Joints with nails and screws require preparation work.

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