SPECIES IN A NUTSHELI

BALSAMUM

SCIENTIFIC NAME

Myroxylon Balsamum

JANKA HARDNESS

2200

WEIGHT (DRIED)

915kg/M3

COMMON USES

Furniture / Flooring / Interior

USUALLY

AVAILABLE AS

manufacturing S4S KD 20mm X100mm/130mm x 450/600/750/900mm or Rough Sawn AD 25mm x 110mm/140mm x

500/650/800/950mm

1" to 4" x 4" & up x 6' & up

Pre-cut sizes for flooring

Rough Sawn Lumber

FACT SHEET







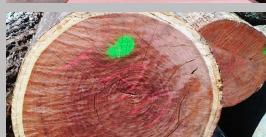














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Description:

Heartwood reddish brown becoming deep red or somewhat purplish upon exposure; fairly uniform to striped; sharply demarcated from the white sapwood. Luster medium to high; texture medium; grain is typically interlocked; without distinctive taste, but may have a pleasant spicy scent.

Properties:

Bending strength in the air-dry condition is exceptionally high. It is far superior in strength to either Teak or Hard maple. It is a very heavy wood. The density of the wood is very high as well. It has a recognizable smell.

Janka Hardness: 2200 It is harder than Teak, does not dent easily and is very stable.

Workability:

It is reported to be moderately difficult to work but can be finished smoothly with a high natural polish. Though non-siliceous, there is more than the usual dulling of cutters.

Uses:

Flooring, furniture, interior trim, turnery, railroad crossties. The tree is well known for its yield of balsam used in perfumes.



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