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TIMBER ALLERGIES AND TOXICITY



Research of the effects some timber may have on the human body

The chart that follows lists the known timber and possible reactions to the human body either by inhaling the dust, getting splinters or skin contact with the dust or timber itself.

As humans we are all different, and the effects listed may not have any effect on you, while someone else may suffer a serious consequence.

At all times please play it safe and treat the wood with respect any sign of reaction to the human body please take the necessary steps to prevent further problems.

Some species may be known by different common names; the botanical name is included to assist with identification. As there are different common names the species may be listed more than once.



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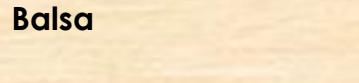
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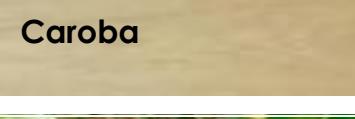
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Abura	<i>Mitraginia ciliata</i> <i>Aubr. et Pellegr.</i> (Family: Rubiaceae)	Tropical Africa	Nausea, eye irritation, giddiness
Red Mulga	<i>Acacia cyperophylla F.</i> <i>Muell.</i> (Family: Mimosaceae)	Australia	Wood splinter and thorns cause skin irritation, dust causes dermatitis
Afara	<i>Terminalia superba</i> <i>Engl. Et Diels</i> (Family: Combretaceae)	Central & West Africa	Splinters cause skin inflammation
African Blackwood	<i>Dalbergia melanoxylon</i>	Central & Southern Africa	Acute dermatitis, sneezing, conjunctivitis.
African Boxwood	<i>Gonioma kamassi</i> (Eckl.) May (Family: Apocynaceae)	South Africa	Irritation to nose and throat, headache, asthma fainting, shortness of breath, erythema
African Mahogany	<i>Khaya ivorensis C.DC.</i> <i>L. senegalensis A.Juss</i> <i>K. anthotheca</i> (Welw.) C.DC. (Family: Meliaceae)	West Africa	Irritation to mucous membranes, nasal cancer, irritation of alimentary tract.
African Walnut	<i>Lovoa trichilioides</i> Harms (Family: Meliaceae)	Tropical West Africa	Irritation to mucous membranes, nasal cancer, irritation of alimentary tract
Afromosia	<i>Pericopsis elata</i> (Harms) van Meeuwen (Family: Papilionaceae)	Tropical West Africa	Dermatitis, rhinitis, asthma Dermatitis
Afzelia	<i>Afzelia spp.</i>	Africa & South East Asia	Irritant, sneezing
Agba	<i>Gossweilerodendron balsamiferum</i>	Angola, Zaire, Nigeria	Irritant, Dermatitis

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Ailanthus	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	China	Irritant, Dermatitis
Albizia	<i>Albizia falcata (L.) Fosb.</i> <i>A. minahassae Koord.</i> <i>A. spp. (Family: Mimosaceae)</i>	South East Asia, Pacific Australia	Irritation to nose, eyes, alimentary tract, nausea, dermatitis
Alder	<i>Alnus spp. (Family: Betulaceae)</i>	Europe, North America	Irritation to mucous membranes, nose, mouth, throat, genitals, armpits.
Alligator Juniper <small>Image of bark</small>	<i>Juniperus deppeana</i>	South Western United States & Northern Mexico	Irritant
Alpine Ash	<i>Eucalyptus delagatensis (Family: Myrtaceae)</i>	Australia	Irritation to nose, eyes and throat, dermatitis
Amboyna	<i>Pterocarpus indicus.</i>	Papua New Guinea , Philippines , Solomon Islands , South-East Asia.	Irritant, asthma
American / Honduras Mahogany	<i>Swietenia mahogany Jack S. macrophylla King (Family: Meliaceae)</i>	Central America, northern South America, Mexico, plantations in Fiji	Skin irritation, giddiness, vomiting, furunculosis
Andiroba	<i>Carapa guinensis</i>	South and Central America and the West Indies	Irritant, sneezing
Araracanga	<i>Aspidosperma megalocarpon</i>	Mexico, Central America, and northern South America	Irritant, asthma
Ash	<i>Fraxinus genus</i>		Irritant
Ash, Mountain	<i>Eucalyptus regnans</i>	Australia	Irritant
Australian Blackwood	<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	Australia	Irritant, sensitizer, asthma

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 Australian Cashew Nut	<i>Semecarpus australiensis</i>	Australia	Irritant, skin lesions, nosebleeds
 Avodire	<i>Turraenthus africanus.</i>	Central and West Africa.	Irritant, nose bleeds, internal bleeding, asthma
 Balsa	<i>Ochroma pyramidalis</i>	Tropical America	Irritant
 Bamboo	<i>Arundinaria, Bambusa, Pseudosasa, et al.</i>	Asia, Northern Australia, Central and Southern America	Irritant
 Bibu	<i>Holigarna arnottiana Hook.f. - (Family: Anacardiaceae)</i>	Indian Sub-Continent	Sap causes blistering of skin, eye irritation
 Birch	<i>Betula genus</i>	Northern Europe, UK and Scandinavia.	Irritant, sensitizer, nausea
 Black Bean	<i>Castanospermum australe A. Cunn. (Family: Fabaceae)</i>	Australia	Dermatitis, itchiness, irritation of mucous membranes
 Black Cherry	<i>Prunus serotina Ehrh. (Family: Rosaceae)</i>	USA, Canada, Europe	Wheezing, giddiness
 Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Central-eastern United States	Irritant, nausea
 Blackwood	<i>Acacia melanoxylon (Family: Mimosaceae)</i>	Australia, plantations in South Africa	Dermatitis, asthma, irritation to nose and throat, skin reactions.
 Bloodwood	<i>Brosimum rubescens</i>	Tropical South America	Irritant, excessive thirst, salivation, nausea
 Bloodwood, Red	<i>Eucalyptus gummifera.</i>	Australia	Irritant
 Southern Blue Gum	<i>Eucalyptus globulus</i>	Australia	Irritant, Dermatitis
 Blue Mahoe	<i>Talipariti elatum</i>	Cuba and Jamaica	sneezing

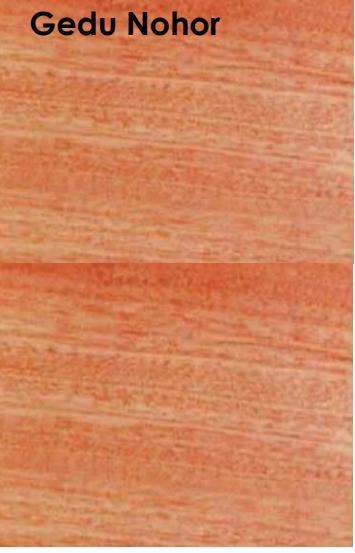
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Bocote	(1) <i>Cordia alliodora</i> (2) <i>Cordia elaeagnoides</i> & <i>C. gerascanthus</i>	Tropical South America. <i>C. elaeagnoides</i> and <i>C. gerascanthus</i> are found principally in Mexico	Cross reactions possible once sensitivity to other woods have developed
Bosse	<i>Guarea cedrata</i> , <i>G. cedrela</i> & <i>G. thompsonii</i>	Tropical West Africa	Irritant, sensitizer, asthma, nausea, headache
Box, White	<i>Eucalyptus albens</i>	Australia	Irritant, rash
Boxwood	<i>Buxus sempervirens</i>	Europe, northwest Africa, and southwest Asia	Irritant, sensitizer
Brazilian Rosewood	<i>Dalbergia Nigra</i>	Brazil	Irritant, sensitizer
Brazilwood	<i>Caesalpinia echinata</i> , syn <i>Guilandina echinata</i>	Brazil	Headache, nausea, painful swelling of arms, visual disturbances
Brigalow	<i>Acacia harpophylla</i> (Family: Mimosaceae)	Australia	Irritant, Dermatitis
Brownheart	<i>Vouacapoua americana</i>	Northeastern South America	Irritant
Bubinga	<i>Guibourtia demeusei</i> .	Cameroon , Zaire , Zambia and Gabon	Irritant, lesions
Buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	Europe, North America, Asia, and northern Africa	Irritant, sap can cause dermatitis
Bulletwood	<i>Manilkara bidentata</i>	Caribbean, Central and South America	Irritant

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Calophyllum 	<i>Calophyllum spp - principally C. vitiense, C. leucaocarpum, C. paludosum, C. kajewskii, C. papuanum: (Family: Guttiferae)</i>	S.E. Asia, Pacific, New Caledonia, Australia, New Guinea	Dermatitis, kidney damage, irritation to nose and throat
Camphor Laurel 	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	Korea Jeju, Taiwan, southern Japan, southeast China and Indochina Introduced Australia 1822	Irritant, asthma, headaches, giddiness
Caroba 	<i>Jacaranda caroba (Vell.) DC. (Family: Bignoniaceae)</i>	Brazil	Dermatitis
Cashew-Nut 	<i>Anacardium occidentale L. (Family: Anancardiaceae)</i>	Central and South America	Irritant, sensitizer, Sap causes blisters, wood dust dermatitis.
Catalpa 	<i>Catalpa speciosa</i>	North America	Irritant
Cedar of Lebanon 	<i>Cedrus libani</i>	Mediterranean region	Irritant, asthma, respiratory disorders
Cedar, Alaskan Yellow 	<i>Chamaecyparis nootatensis.</i>	Pacific Coast from Alaska to Oregon, USA	Irritant
Red Cedar 	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	Eastern North America	Irritant
Cedar, Australian Red 	<i>Toona australis or Cedrela toona</i>	Australia	Irritant, asthma, migraine, giddiness, bronchitis, stomach cramps, NPC (rare)
Cedar, Incense 	<i>Caldocedrus decurrens</i>	Western North America	Irritant, rashes
Cedar, Northern White 	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	Northeastern North America	Irritant, asthma

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Cedar, Port Orford	<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i>	Pacific northwest United States	Irritant, runny nose, asthma, kidney problems (diuresis)
Cedar, Southern Red	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>	Eastern North America	Irritant
Cedar, Spanish	<i>Cedrela odorata</i>	Central and South America and the Caribbean	Irritant
Cedar, Western Red	<i>Thuja plicata.</i>	Canada , USA	Irritant, sensitizer, asthma, nervous system effects, NPC (rare)
Cedar, Atlantic White	<i>Cedrus deodara</i>	India	Irritant
Chechen	<i>Metopium brownei</i>	Dominican Republic, Cuba, Jamaica, northern Guatemala, Belize, and southeastern Mexico	Irritant, sensitizer
Chestnut, Chinese	<i>Castanea mollissima</i>	North America	Irritant
Chestnut, Sweet	<i>Castanea sativa</i>	Europe and Asia Minor	Irritant, sensitizer
Chinaberry	<i>Melia azedarach, var australasica</i>	New South Wales and Queensland. Also found in Oceania and parts of Asia	Irritant, headaches
Chinese Sumach (image of bark)	<i>Ailanthus altissima (Mill.) Swingle</i> (Family: Simarubaceae)	China	Dermatitis
Cocobolo	<i>Dalbergia granadillo Pitt. D. retusa Hemsl.</i> (Family: Papilionaceae)	Central America, Mexico	Dermatitis, irritation to nose and throat, conjunctivitis, bronchial asthma, nausea
Kingwood	<i>Dalbergia cearensis</i>	Tropical South America - mainly Brazil	Acute dermatitis, sneezing, conjunctivitis.

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Cocuswood	<i>Brya ebenus (L.) DC.</i> (Family: Papilionaceae)	Central America	Irritant, Dermatitis
Coolibah	<i>Eucalyptus microtheca, E. intertexta</i>	Northern, Western and Central Australia	Bark and wood dust may cause skin irritation
Cooliman/Coolaman Tree (Shitwood)	<i>Gyrocarpus americanus subsp. pachyphyllus Kubitzki</i>	West Australia & Northern Territory	Can cause blindness.
Copaia	<i>Jacaranda copaia</i>	South America	Irritant
Crows Ash	<i>Flindersia australis R.Br. (Family: Rutaceae) -</i>	Australia, New Guinea	Dermatitis
Cuban Mahogany	<i>Swietenia mahogani</i>	Southern Florida and the Caribbean	Irritant
Cypress, Australian	<i>callitris glauca</i>	Australia	Irritant, asthma, swelling of eyelids, boils, NPC (rare)
Cypress, Gowen	<i>Cupressus goveniana</i>	California	Irritant
Cypress, Leyland	<i>Cupressus x leylandii</i>	Wales, UK	Irritant
Cypress, Mediterranean	<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	California	Irritant, rashes, headaches
Cypress, Mexican	<i>Cupressus lusitanica</i>	Mexico and Central America	Irritant
Cypress, Monterey	<i>Cupressus macrocarpa</i>	California	Irritant
Dahoma	<i>Piptadeniastrum Africanum (Hook.f.) Brenan (Family: Mimosaceae)</i>	Africa	Irritant, sensitizer, Dermatitis, coughing, sneezing, nose bleeding
Dead Finish	<i>Acacia carnei & A. tetragonophylla</i>	New South Wales	Irritant, splinters go septic

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Difundu <i>No image</i>	<i>Vitex congolensis De Wild. Et Th.Dur.</i> (Family: Verbenaceae)	Africa	Dermatitis
	<i>Cassia siamea Lam.</i> <i>Cassia spp.</i> (Family: Caesalpiniaceae)	South East Asia, India, Australia	Skin discoloration, eye irritation, keratitis
	<i>Psuedosuga menziesii</i> (Family: Pinaceae)	USA, Canada, plantations in New Zealand, Australia & Europe	Irritant, sensitizer; Dermatitis, nasal cancer, irritation to eyes and throat, vomiting
	<i>Dalbergia latifolia</i> , <i>D. javanica</i> , <i>D. marginata</i> , <i>D. sisso</i> .	Southern India and parts of South East Asia	Irritant, sensitizer
	<i>Chloroxylon swietenia DC.</i> (Family: Rutaceae)	India, Pakistan, Ceylon	Dermatitis, headache, swelling of scrotum, irritation of mucous membranes
	<i>Diospyros sp</i> (Family: Ebenaceae)	Africa, Malagasy, Ceylon, South East Asia	Skin inflammation, acute dermatitis, sneezing, conjunctivitis
	<i>Caesalpinia paraguariensis</i>	South America	Irritant
	<i>Diospyros celebica</i>	Celebes Islands	Irritant, sensitizer
	<i>Lophira alata</i>	West Africa	Irritant
	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i> (Family: Fagaceae)	Europe	Nasal and sinus cancer, dermatitis.
	<i>Buxus sempervirens L.</i> (Family: Buxaceae)	Southern Europe, Asia Minor	Dermatitis, irritation to nose, eyes and throat
	<i>ulmus spp.</i> (Family: Ulmaceae)	Europe	Dermatitis, irritation of mucous membranes, cancer
	<i>Quercus petraea & Q. pendunculata.</i>	UK , Central and Western Europe and into Russian Siberia	Dermatitis, sneezing, nasal cancer.

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European Walnut 	<i>Juglans regia L.</i> (Family: <i>Juglandaceae</i>)	Europe, Asia Minor	Dermatitis, nasal cancer
Eyum	<i>Dialium dinklageri</i> Harms (Family: <i>Caesalpiniaceae</i>)	Africa	Irritation of nose and throat, dermatitis
Fir, Balsam 	<i>Abies balsamea</i>	Pacific Northwest region of North America	Irritant
Freijo 	<i>Cordia goeldiana & C. trichotoma</i>	Brazil - Amazon basin	sensitizer
Gaboon 	<i>Aukoumea klaineana</i> Pierre (Family: <i>Burseraceae</i>)	Equatorial Africa	Itchy skin, irritation to eyes and nose
Garapa 	<i>Apuleia leiocarpa</i>	South America	Irritant
Gedu Nohor 	<i>Entandrophragma angolense</i> C. DC., <i>Entandrophragma macrophyllum</i> A. Chev. (Fam. Meliaceen)	tropical West- and Central Africa: Angola, Equatorial Guinea, Ivory Coast, Gabon, Ghana, Cameroon, Congo, Liberia, Nigeria, Uganda, Zaire, Central African Republic	Irritant
Goncalo Alves 	<i>Astronium fraxinifolium</i> & <i>A. graveolens</i>	Brazil	sensitizer
Grass Tree 	<i>Xanthorrhoea</i> sp.	Australia	Dermatitis and skin reactions.
Greenheart 	<i>Ocotea rodiae Mez.</i> (Family: <i>Lauraceae</i>)	Northern South America	sensitizer, Headache, wheezing, shortness of breath, disturbance of vision, diarrhoea, erythema

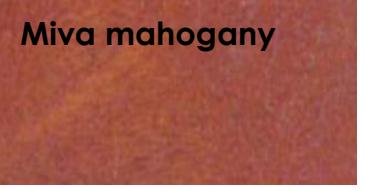
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Grey Box	<i>Eucalyptus hemiphloia F. Muell.</i> (Family: Myrtaceae)	New South Wales and in southern Queensland.	Eczema, irritation to mucous membranes.
Guarea	<i>Guarea spp.</i> (Family: Meliaceae)	Tropical West Africa	Dermatitis, asthma, nausea, disturbance of vision, headache: Gutta Percha Excoecaria parvifolia temporary blindness from milky sap in the eye.
Gum, Lemon-Scented	<i>Corymbia citriodora</i> (formerly <i>Eucalyptus citriodora</i>)	central and north coast of Queensland	Irritant
Gum, Spotted	<i>Corymbia maculata</i> (Formerly <i>Eucalyptus maculata</i>)	Southern Victoria through New South Wales into Central Queensland on the coastal plains	Irritant, rashes
Gum, Yellow	<i>Eucalyptus Leucoxylon</i> . ssp <i>E. megalocarpa</i> , <i>E. pruinosa</i> , <i>E. petiolaris</i> .	South Australia and Western Victoria	Irritant
Hackberry	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i> - North America: <i>C. paniculata</i> - Australia	Southern Canada & Eastern USA. Queensland, Australia	Irritant
Hemlock, Eastern	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>	USA and Western Canada.	Irritant
Hemlock, Mountain	<i>Tsuga mertensiana</i>	Northwest coast of North America	Irritant
Hemlock, Western	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>	Northwest coast of North America	Irritant, NPC (rare)

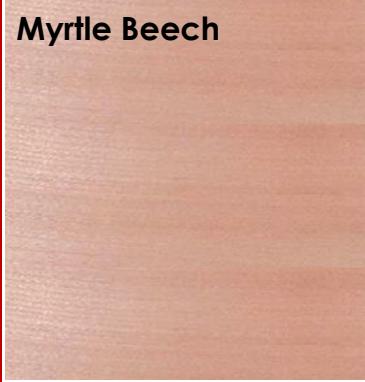
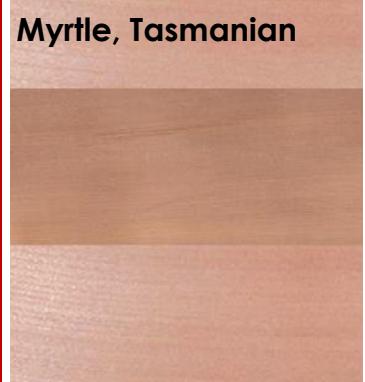
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Hophornbeam	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	Eastern North America	Irritant
Idigbo	<i>Terminalia ivorensis</i>	West tropical Africa	Irritant
Imbuia/ Imbuya	<i>Phoebe porosa.</i>	Southern Brazil	Irritant
Indian Beech (Image of trunk)	<i>Pongamia pinnata,</i> <i>syn. Millettia pinnata</i> aka Taun, Honge, <i>Pongam, Balocbaloc</i>	south-east Asia and India	Irritant
Indian Rosewood	<i>Dalbergia Latifolia Roxb.</i> (Family: Papilionaceae)	South East Asia, India, New Guinea	Dermatitis
Ipe	<i>Tabebuia spp.</i> (Family: Bignoniaceae)	Northern South America	Dermatitis, shortness of breath, headache, disturbance of vision
Iroko	<i>Chlorophora excelsa Lam.</i> (Family: Moraceae)	Tropical West & East Africa	Dermatitis, furunculosis, oedema of eyelids, respiratory difficulties, giddiness
Ironwood, Desert	<i>Olneya tesota</i>	Southwestern United States and Northwestern Mexico	Irritant, sneezing, coughing
Ivorywood	<i>Balfourodendron riedelianum</i> (Family: Rutaceae)	Tropical South America	Dermatitis
Jacareuba (Image of bark)	<i>Calophyllum brasiliense</i> (Family: Guttiferae)	Central and South America	Dermatitis, loss of appetite, kidney damage, fainting, insomnia
Jarrah	<i>Eucalyptus marginata</i>	South Western corner of Western Australia	Irritation to nose, throat and eyes
Jatoba	<i>Hymeneae courbaril</i>	eastern Peru , northern Bolivia to Brazil , Venezuela and Colombia	Irritant

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Jelutong	<i>Dyera costulata</i>	Malaysia and Indonesia	Irritant
Juniper (image trunk)	<i>Phoenician (Juniperus phoenicea)</i>	Mediterranean region	Irritant, headache, nausea
Karri	<i>Eucalyptus diversicolor</i>	South Western corner of Western Australia	Irritant
Katalox	<i>Swartzia cubensis</i>	Southern Mexico, Central America, and northern South America	Irritant
Keruing	<i>Dipterocarpus spp.</i> (Family: Dipterocarpaceae)	South East Asia	Dermatitis
Kingwood	<i>Dalbergia cearnsis</i>	Tropical South America - mainly Brazil	Irritant, sensitizer, conjunctivitis
Kwila (Merbau)	<i>Intsia bijuga.I.palem banica</i> (Family: Caesalpiniaceae) -	Australia, New Guinea, Pacific Islands, South East Asia	Dermatitis, rhinitis, Irritation to nose and throat
Laburnum	<i>Laburnum anagyroides</i>	Central and Southern Europe	constitutional effects (nausea, vomiting, headaches); direct toxin
Larch	<i>Larix genus</i>	Europe	Irritant, hives, lesions
Leadwood	<i>Combretum genus</i>	South Africa north to Tanzania	Irritant
Lemon Scented Gum	<i>Corymbia citriodara</i>	central and north coast of Queensland	Dermatitis.
Lignum Vitae	<i>Guaiacum spp.</i> (Family Zygophyllaceae)	West Indies, Central & northern South America	Dermatitis

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Limba	<i>Terminalia superba</i> (Family: Combretaceae)	Tropical Africa	Irritant, hives, splinters go septic, asthma, bleeding of the nose and gums
Lingue	<i>Afzelia africana</i> (Family: Caesalpiniaceae)	Africa	Irritation to eyes, nose and throat
Machiche	<i>Lonchocarpus spp.</i>	tropical America	Irritant
Magnolia	<i>Magnolia genus</i>	Queensland and Papua New Guinea	asthma, runny nose
Mahogany, African	<i>Khaya ivorensis, K. nyasica, K. anthotheca, K. grandifoliola.</i>	Tropical central, west and east Africa	Irritant, sensitizer, NPC (rare)
Mahogany, Honduran	<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>	Central and South America and several islands in the West Indies	Irritant, sensitizer, boils, nausea, giddiness, asthma, HP
Mahogany, Santos	<i>Myroxylon balsamum</i>	Southern Mexico and Central and South America	Irritant
Makassar Ebony	<i>Diospyros Celebica</i> (Family: Ebenaceae)	Celebes Islands	Dermatitis
Makore	<i>Tieghemella heckelii</i> (Family: Sapotaceae)	West Africa	Dermatitis, nose bleeding, asthma, sneezing, nausea, headache, giddiness
Mango	<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Tropical Asia and Oceania	Irritant
Mansonia	<i>Mansonia altissima</i> (Family: Sterculiaceae)	Tropical West Africa	Dermatitis, nausea, vomiting, nose bleeding, sneezing, giddiness, asthma, splinters go septic
Maple	<i>Acer genus</i>	USA	Irritant, sensitizer, asthma; HP in spalted maple
Maple, Queensland	<i>Flindersia brayleyana</i>	North Queensland	Irritant

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Marking Nut 	<i>Semecarpus australiensis</i> (Family: Anacardiaceae)	Australia, India	Sap and wood dust may cause skin lesions, eye irritation, nose bleeding
Marupa 	<i>Simarouba amara</i>	South and Central America and the Caribbean	Irritant
massaranduba 	<i>Lucuma procera</i> (Family: Sapotaceae)	Northern South America	Dermatitis
Meranti 	(Red, White, Yellow) <i>Shorea spp</i> (Family: Dipterocarpaceae) -	South East Asia	Dermatitis, Irritation to nose, throat and eyes
Merbau 	<i>Intsia bijuga & I. Palembanica.</i>	Malaysia , Philippines , Papua New Guinea , Solomon Islands and Fiji and North Queensland	Irritant
Mesquite 	<i>Prosopis genus</i>	North and South America	Irritant
Messmate 	<i>Eucalyptus obliqua</i> (Family: Myrtaceae) -	Australia, plantation in Africa, Europe and South America	Dermatitis, asthma, sneezing,
Milky Mangrove 	<i>Excoecaria agalloche</i> (Family: Euphorbiaceae)	Australia, South East Asia, Pacific	Sap may cause irritation to eyes, even temporary blindness, headache, burning of throat, blistering of skin

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Missanda	 <i>Erythrophleum suaveolens</i>	Cameroon, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Ivory Coast, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Zaire, Zambia	Irritant, headache, giddiness, nausea, disorders of bowels and stomach
Miva mahogany	 <i>Dysoxylum muelleri</i> (Family: Meliaceae)	Australia	Congestion of lungs, eye inflammation, irritation of mucous membranes, headache, nose bleed, loss of appetite
Molompangady	 <i>Breonia spp.</i> (Family: Rubiaceae)	Malagasy	Dermatitis, sores
Monkeypod	 <i>Samanea saman</i>	Central and South America	Irritant
Mora	 <i>Maclura tinctoria</i>	Guatemala	Irritant
Mountain Ash	 <i>Eucalyptus regnans</i> (Family: Myrtaceae) -	Australia, plantations in South America, Africa, Europe	Irritation to nose, throat and eyes, dermatitis
Movingui	 <i>Distemonanthus benthamianus</i>	West Africa	Irritant
Muhuhu	 <i>Brachylaena hutchinsii</i> (Family: Compositae)	Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda	Dermatitis
Mulga	 <i>Acacia aneura</i>	Australia	Wood contains a virulent poisonous principle, used for spear heads by aborigines. Dust may cause irritation to mucous membranes, headache, vomiting
Muninga	 <i>Pterocarpus angolensis</i> (Family: papilionaceae)	South-central Africa	Bronchitis, asthma, dermatitis

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Myrtle Beech 	<i>nothofagus cunninghamii</i> (Family: Fagaceae)	West, North West and Eastern coast of Tasmania and the Eastern and Southern ranges of Victoria through to Central New South Wales	Irritation to mucous membranes
Myrtle, Tasmanian 	<i>Nothofagus cunninghamii</i>	West, North West and Eastern coast of Tasmania and the Eastern and Southern ranges of Victoria through to Central New South Wales	Irritant
Nara 	<i>Pterocarpus indicus.</i>	Papua New Guinea , Philippines , Solomon Islands , South-East Asia	Irritant, asthma
Needlewood 	<i>Schima wallachii</i> (Family: Theaceae)	India, South East Asia	Bark causes skin irritation
New Zealand White Pine 	<i>Dacrycarpus dacryoides</i> (Family: Podocarpaceae)	New Zealand	Dermatitis, irritation to nose, throat
New Guinea Rosewood 	<i>Pterocarpus indicus.</i>	Papua New Guinea , Philippines , Solomon Islands , South-East Asia	Dermatitis, asthma, irritation to mucous membranes

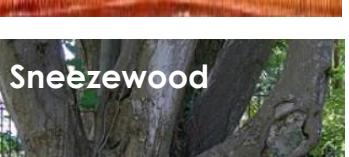
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Nkassa	<i>Erythrophlewn le-testui</i> (Family: Caesalpiniaceae)	Cameroon, Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Ivory Coast, Mozambique, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Zaire, Zambia	Headache, giddiness, vomiting, disorders of bowels & stomach, irritation to nose & throat
Northern Silky Oak Cardwellia sublimis	<i>Cardwellia sublimis</i>	Queensland between Townsville and Bloomfield	Green timber may cause dermatitis
Northern Coolibah	<i>Eucalyptus microtheca</i>	Northern, Western and Central Australia	Skin irritation.
Norway Spruce	<i>Picea abies</i>	Northern and central Europe	Irritant, asthma
Nyatoh	<i>Palaquium maingayi, P. rostratum, P. xanthochymum and Payena maingayi</i>	South-east Asia and the Philippines	Irritation to mucous membranes.
Oak	(European and Japanese)	Europe, Japan, China	Nasal cancer, dermatitis, sneezing
Obeche	<i>Triplochiton scleroxylon</i>	Cameroon , Ghana , Ivory Coast	Asthma, sneezing, congestion of lungs, hives
Odoum	<i>Chlorophora regia</i> (Family: Moraceae)	tropical east and West Africa	Dermatitis, irritation to nose and throat
Okoume	<i>Aucoumea klaineana.</i>	Equatorial Africa - Guinea, Gabon, Congo, Zaire. Cameroon.	Irritant, cough, asthma, conjunctivitis

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Oleander	(<i>Nerium oleander</i>)	subtropical and tropical areas of the world	Irritant, nearly every part of the plant is toxic, cardiac effects
Olive	<i>Olea europaea</i>	Mediterranean countries	Irritant, sensitizer
Opepe	<i>Nauclea diderrichii</i>	Africa	Irritant, sensitizer, nervous system effects
Osage Orange	<i>Maclura pomifera</i>	North America	Irritant, sap can cause dermatitis
Padauk	<i>Pterocarpus soyauxii</i> (African Padauk): <i>Pterocarpus macrocarpus</i> (Burma Padauk): <i>Pterocarpus dalbergioides</i> (Andaman Padauk)	Africa, New Guinea, S.E. Asia, Andaman Islands	Asthma, dermatitis, irritation to mucous membranes.
Palisandre Wood	<i>Jacaranda brasiliiana</i> (Family: <i>Bignoniaceae</i>)	South America	Dermatitis
Palm	<i>Arecaceae family</i>	tropical, subtropical, and warm temperate climates	Irritant, constitutional effects
Pau Amarelo	<i>Euxylophora paraensis</i> (Family: <i>Rutaceae</i>)	South America	Dermatitis
Pau Ferro	<i>Caesalpinia echinata</i> , syn <i>Guilandina echinata</i>	Brazil	Irritant, sensitizer
Pau Marfim	<i>Balfourodendron riedelianum</i>	Argentina and Brazil	Irritant
Pau Rosa	<i>Dalbergia frutescens</i>	Brazil	Irritant
Peroba Rosa	<i>Aspidosperma peroba</i>	Brazil	Irritant, sensitizer, nausea, asthma
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	Southern & Central United States	Irritant

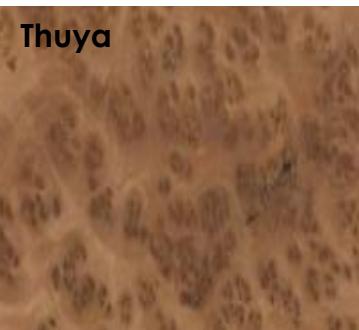
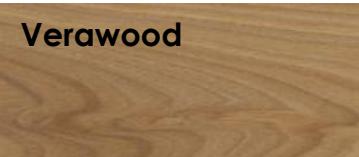
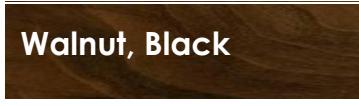
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Pheasantwood	<i>Senna siamea</i>	South/Southeast Asia	cavities in the wood can contain powder that is an Irritant
Phoenician Juniper	<i>Juniperus phoenicea</i> (Family: Cupressaceae)	Central and southern Europe, northern Africa, South East Russia	Nausea, headache, skin irritation
Pine	<i>Pinus genus</i>	Northern Hemisphere	Irritant, runny nose, asthma
Pistachio	<i>Pistacia vera</i>	Iran	Irritant
Poison Walnut	<i>Cryptocarya pleurosperrma</i> (Family: Lauraceae) -	North Queensland	Bark very irritating to skin. Dust may cause breathing problems, vomiting, giddiness, dermatitis, sap is toxic and corrosive
Poplar	<i>Populus spp.</i> (Family: Salicaceae)	Nth America, Europe, east Asia	Asthma, dermatitis, bronchitis, blisters
Port Orford Cedar	<i>Chamaecyparis lawsoniana</i> (Family: Cupressaceae)	Pacific northwest United States	Dermatitis
Primavera	<i>Roseodendron donnell-smithii</i>	Central America	Irritant, sensitizer
Purpleheart	<i>Peltogyne pubescens</i> , <i>P. porphyrocardia</i> , <i>P. vemosia</i> , <i>P. conteriflora</i> , <i>P. paniculata</i> & <i>P. purpurea</i> .	Central America and tropical South America	Irritant, sensitizer, nausea
Quebracho	<i>Schinopsis spp.)</i>	Tropical South America	Irritant, nausea, NPC (rare)
Queensland Maple	<i>Flindersia brayleyana</i>	North Queensland	Dermatitis
Quina	<i>Myroxylon peruiferum</i>	Southern Mexico and Central and South America	Irritant

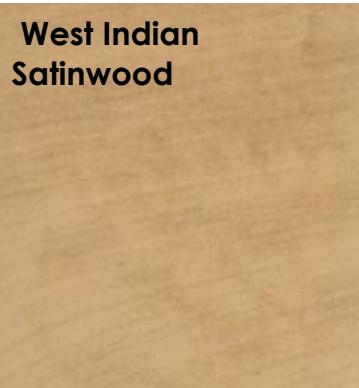
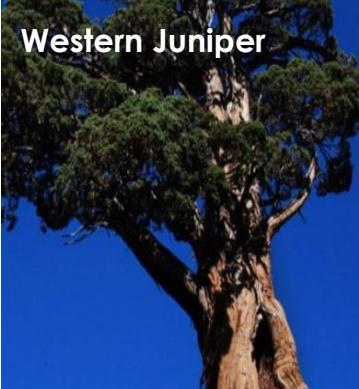
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Ramin	<i>Gonystylus spp.</i> (Family: <i>Thymelaeaceae</i>)	S E Asia, New Guinea, Pacific	Sharp fibres cause skin irritation & infection
Red Bloodwoods	<i>Corymbia gummifera</i>	eastern Australia	Irritation to eyes and skin.
Red Cedar	<i>Toona ciliata</i> (Family: <i>Meliaceae</i>)	Australia, South East Asia, New Guinea, India, plantations in Central America	Violent headache, giddiness, stomach cramps, asthma, bronchitis, dermatitis, irritation of mucous membranes
Red Lancewood	<i>Manilkara huberi</i> (Family: <i>Sapotaceae</i>)	Northern South America	Dermatitis
Red Peroba	<i>Aspidosperma peroba</i> (Family: <i>Apocynaceae</i>)	South America	Nausea, sweating, asthma, cramps, drowsiness, fainting, irritation of mucous membranes, dermatitis
 Red Silky Oak	<i>Stenocarpus salignus</i>	Australian rainforest	Irritation to mucous membranes.
Red Siris or Mackay Cedar	<i>Albizia toona</i> (Family: <i>Mimosaceae</i>)	Australia	Dermatitis, nose bleed, conjunctivitis, giddiness
Redwood (USA)	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i> (Family: <i>Taxodiaceae</i>)	North America	Dermatitis, asthma
Rengas	<i>Gluta spp</i> and <i>Melanorrhea spp.</i> (Family: <i>Anacardiaceae</i>) -	South East Asia, New Guinea, Malagasy	Bark, sap and wood dust irritating to skin, causing dermatitis, blistering, chronic ulcers
Rhodesian Teak	<i>Baikiaea plurijuga</i>	Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia) and other countries in southern Africa	Irritant

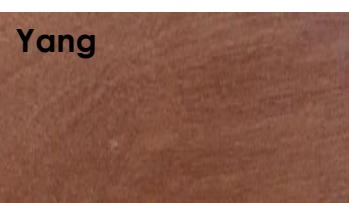
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Rimu (NZ)	<i>Dacrydium cupressinum</i> (Family: Cupressaceae) -	New Zealand	Irritation to nose, eyes
Rose Butternut	<i>Blepharocarya involucrigera</i> (Family: Anacardiaceae)	Australia	Dermatitis, conjunctivitis
Rosewood	<i>Dalbergia Nigra</i>	Brazil	Irritant, sensitizer, asthma
Rosewood	<i>Dalbergia latifolia, D. javanica, D. marginata, D. sisso.</i>	Southern India and parts of South East Asia	Skin Irritation
Rosewood	<i>Pterocarpus indicus</i> (Family: Papilionaceae)	New Guinea , Philippines , Solomon Islands , South-East Asia.	Dermatitis, asthma
Rubberwood	<i>Hevea brasiliensis</i>	South East Asia - Malaysia	Irritant, sensitizer (latex allergy)
Safron-heart	<i>Halfordia scleroxylla</i> (Family: Rutaceae)	Australia, New Guinea	Splinters cause skin Infection. Dust causes dermatitis, congestion of lungs
Sapele	<i>Entandrophragma cylindricum</i> (Family: Meliaceae)	Central, West and East Africa	Skin irritation, sneezing
Sassafras	<i>Doryphora sassafras & Daphnandra. micrantha.</i>	Central New South Wales to southern Queensland	sensitizer, nausea, respiratory, direct toxin, NPC (rare)
Satine	<i>Brosimum spp.</i> (Family: Moraceae)	South America	Excessive salivation, feeling of thirst, nausea
Satinwood, West Indian	<i>Zanthoxylum flavum</i>	Caribbean	Irritant, diarrhea, rash, blisters, sensitizer
Satinwood, East Indian	<i>Chloroxylon swietenia</i>	India, Sri Lanka, and Indonesia	Irritant, headache, diarrhea, sensitizer

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Shittim 	<i>Acacia seya</i>	Northern tropical Africa	Irritant, coughing
Silky Beech 	<i>Citronella moorei</i>	NSW, Queensland	Irritation to nose and eyes.
Silky Oak 	<i>Cardwellia sublimis</i>	Queensland	Green timber may cause dermatitis
Silky Oak 	<i>Grevillea robusta</i> (Southern), (Family: <i>Proteaceae</i>) -	North Coast of New South Wales and Southern Queensland	Sap may cause blistering of skin, inflammation of eyelids. Dust may cause dermatitis
Silver Silkwood 	<i>Flindersia acuminata</i>	North Queensland	Irritation to nose and throat.
Sissoo 	<i>Dalbergia latifolia</i> , <i>D. javanica</i> , <i>D. marginata</i> , <i>D. sissoo</i> .	Southern India and parts of South East Asia.	Irritant
Slash Pine 	<i>Pinus elliottii</i>	south-eastern United States	Dermatitis, Asthma
Snakewood 	<i>Piratinera guianensis</i> syn <i>Brosimum aubletti</i>	Central and Tropical South America	Irritant
Sneezewood 	<i>Ptaeroxylon obliquum</i>	South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Mozambique	Irritant, oils within the wood cause violent sneezing
South American Cedar 	<i>Cedrela</i> (Family: <i>Meliaceae</i>)	Central & South America, Mexico	Dermatitis, irritation to nose and throat, nasal cancer, asthma
South American Rosewood 	<i>Dalbergia nigra</i> (Family: <i>papilionaceae</i>)	Brazil	Dermatitis
Spotted Gum 	<i>Corymbia maculata</i> (Family: <i>Myrtaceae</i>) -	Australia, plantations in South America, Africa & Europe	Dermatitis

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Spruce	<i>Picea spp.</i> (Family: Coniferae)	Nth. America, Japan, Europe	Irritation to nose and throat
Stinging tree 	<i>Dendrocnide moroides</i>	Australia, Asia	Stinging hairs on leaves and bark have intensely irritating effect on skin, may cause paralysis, breathing problems, severe pain
Sucupira 	<i>Bowditchia nitida</i>	tropical South America	Irritant
Sumac 	<i>Rhus spp.</i> (Family: Anacardiaceae)	Asia, Nth & Sth America, Europe	Bark causes blisters, dust may cause dermatitis
Sweetgum 	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> (Family: Hamamelidaceae)	eastern North America and tropical montane regions of Mexico and Central America	Dermatitis
Talh 	<i>Acacia seyal</i> - (Family: Mimosaceae)	Egypt to Kenya and west Senegal	Dermatitis, coughing, irritation to mucous membranes
Tambootie 	<i>Spirostachys africana</i>	Southern Africa	Irritant, diarrhea, blindness, direct toxin
Tatajuba 	<i>Bagassa guianensis</i>	Northeastern South America	Irritant
Taun 	<i>Pometia pinnata</i> (Family: Sapindaceae)	South East Asia, New Guinea	Dermatitis, rhinitis
Teak 	<i>Tectona grandis</i> (Family: Verbenaceae)	South and South East Asia, plantations in most tropics	Dermatitis, conjunctivitis, over sensitivity to light, swelling of scrotum, irritation to throat & nose, nausea

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Thorny Yellowwood	<i>Zanthoxylum veneficum</i> (Family: Rutaceae)	New South Wales to tropical Queensland	Lesions made by thorns & splinters take a long time to heal. Dust causes dermatitis, cramp, eye & throat irritation, disturbance of vision
	<i>Tetraclinis articulata</i>	Atlas mountain region (primarily Morocco, as well as subpopulations in Malta and southern Spain)	Irritant
Turpentine	<i>Syncarpia glomifera</i>	Central New South Wales through to Northern Queensland	Inflation of mucous membranes
	<i>Lysiloma latisiliquum</i>	Mexico and Central America	cold-like symptoms
Utile	<i>Entandrophragma utile</i>	West and East Africa	Irritant
	<i>Bulnesia sarmientoi</i>	Central America and northern South America	sneezing
	<i>Lovoa trichiloides</i>	Tropical West Africa	dermatitis and irritation of mucous membranes.
	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	Eastern United States	dermatitis and irritation of mucous membranes.
	<i>Juglans regia</i>	Eastern Europe and western Asia	dermatitis and irritation of mucous membranes.
	<i>Swartzia benthamiana</i>	Southern Mexico, Central America, and northern South America	Irritant

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Wenge 	<i>Millettia laurentii</i>	Zaire , Congo , Cameroon , Gabon	Irritant, sensitizer, splinters go septic, nervous system effects
West Indian Satinwood 	<i>Zanthoxylum flavwm</i> (Family: Rutaceae)	Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, the Bahamas, Bermuda, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Guadeloupe, Haiti, Jamaica, Puerto Rico	Dermatitis, giddiness, nausea, lethargy, gangrene, visual disturbances
Western Hemlock 	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i> (Family: Pinaceae)	USA and Western Canada	Dermatitis, eczema by sap or wood dust
Western Juniper 	<i>Juniperus occidentalis</i>	Southeast Washington, eastern and central Oregon, southwest Idaho, northeastern California and extreme northwest Nevada	Irritant
Western Red Cedar 	<i>Thuja plicata</i> (Family: Cupressaceae)	Canada , USA and introduced to Europe	Dermatitis, asthma, nasal cancer, nose bleeds, giddiness, rhinitis and stomach pains.
White Baltic 	<i>Picea abies</i> (Family: Pinaceae)	Europe	Asthma, skin irritation
White Cedar 	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i> (Family: Cupressaceae)	Eastern North America	Dermatitis
White Cypress Pine 	<i>Callitris columellaris</i> (Family: Cupressaceae)	Inland Australia	Dermatitis, swelling of eyelids, asthma, irritation of nose and throat, nasal cancer, furunculosis

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White handlewood 	<i>Streblus brunonianus</i>	New South Wales, Queensland	Sap very Irritant to eye, dust causes dermatitis, abdominal pains, nausea
White Peroba 	<i>Paratecoma peroba</i> (Family: <i>Bignoniaceae</i>)	South America	Dermatitis, asthma
Willow 	<i>Salix Alba, S. fragilis, S. discolors, S. Babylonia & S. nigra.</i>	Europe, Western Asia and North Africa	sensitizer, nausea, NPC (rare)
Yang 	<i>Dipterocarpus alatus</i> (Family: <i>Dipterocarpaceae</i>)	South East Asia and India	Dermatitis, inflammation of mucous membranes, furunculosis, inflammation caused by splinters
Yellow Gum 	<i>Eucalyptus Leucoxylon-</i> (Family: <i>Myrtaceae</i>)	South Australia and Western Victoria	Irritation to nose and throat
Yellowheart 	<i>Euxylophora paraensis</i>	Brazil	Irritant
Yews 	<i>Taxus bacatta</i> (Family: <i>Taxaceae</i>)	Europe, Asia Minor	Dermatitis, headache, congestion of lungs, nausea, fainting, irritation of alimentary tract, visual disturbances
Zebrawood 	<i>Microberlinia brazzavillensis & M. bisulcata.</i>	Gabon and the Cameroon	sensitizer
Zircote 	<i>Cordia dodecandra</i>	Central America and Mexico	cross reactions possible once sensitivity to other woods have developed

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