

**Thai Name:** Saw

**Scientific name:** *Gmelina arborea* Roxb.

**Family:** (Verbenaceae)

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Flowering												
Fruiting												

### How to grow saplings from seed?

Collect fruits from April to June. Soak in water overnight then scrape off fruit flesh. Sun-dry the pyrenes for 1–2 days. Put them in water and throw away non-viable seeds (ones that float). Sow seeds in germination trays in mid-October in full sunlight. Cover with mesh to guard against seed predators. When first true leaves appear pot into plastic bags. If you find leaf miners and stem-boring beetles, use insecticide and cut off affected areas. Saplings should be a healthy size for planting in June (total of 8 months in the nursery).

### How should saplings be planted and cared for?

Do not plant this species in shade. Cardboard mulch mats help them survive. Be aware for beetles that may defoliate the plant.

### Uses

Wood used for pulp, plywood, and veneer; carpentry and light construction, boats, tools and carving. Wood makes good charcoal and firewood.



Framework Species Checklist		
High Survival	HIGH	👍😊
High Growth	HIGH	👍😊
Shady Crown	HIGH	👍😊
Resilient to Fire	HIGH	👍😊
Attractive to wildlife	HIGH	👍😊