

Thai Name: Tawng Lahng Bah

Scientific name: *Erythrina subumbrans*

Family: Leguminosae (Papilionoideae)



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Flowering												
Fruiting												

### How to grow saplings from seed?

Collect seeds from fallen pods in March. Soak them in water overnight. Sow those that start to swell and discard any non-viable ones (ones that float). Sow seeds directly into containers, in full sunlight, and use wire mesh to keep out rats and squirrels. Take precautions against leaf-folding insects in late rainy season. Do not apply fertiliser or prune this species. Saplings can be planted out into plots when they are 30cm tall (3-4 months after germination).



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

They have weak stems so care is needed when handling them. Staking can reduce post-planting mortality. They respond well to fertiliser application and mulching after planting. They are susceptible to stem-boring insects which can even kill mature trees. Do not plant where they may become shaded.



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

### Uses

Used for “living fences” as cut branches root well. Timber used for carving and for making various utensils. Its foliage is used for cattle fodder. **This species is good for nutrient poor soils.**