

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	👍😊