

Tectona grandis



Common Name: Teak Tree

Scientific Name: *Tectona grandis*

Family: Lamiaceae

It is a large, tropical, hardwood tree that grows upto 40 meters in length. It is native to south and southeast Asia. Its leaves are ovate-elliptic to ovate, 15–45 cm long by 8–23 cm wide, and are held on robust petioles which are 2–4 cm long. Leaf margins are entire.

It produces Fragrant white flowers are borne on 25–40 cm long by 30 cm wide panicles from June to August.

Economically Important Part: Wood

Economic importance: The wood obtained from this tree is of highest quality. It is used to make outdoor furniture and boat decks. It is also used for making cutting boards, indoor flooring, counter tops etc. It is extensively used in India for furniture making.