**Scientific name:** *Baphia nitida* Lodd.

**Family:** Leguminosae.

**Distribution/conservation status:** common and widespread in rainforest, secondary forest and abandoned farmland, especially in coastal regions. Assessed by the IUCN Red List as being of Least Concern (LC).

**Common names:** Camwood, African sandalwood (English), Aboshi, Ufie (Igbo), Irosun, Urosun (Yoruba), Otua, Ositua (Edo)

**Fruits/seeds:** almost spiral, compressed pod, pointed at each end and containing 1-4 brown disc-shaped seeds.

**Fruiting time:** November – January.

**Seed collection:** ripe pods split open to release seeds which are easily collected from under the parent tree.

**Type of seed:** recalcitrant.

**Sowing method:** sow seeds flat at a depth of 2 cm.

**Sowing medium:** forest soil.

**Germination period:** 14 days.

**Germination percentage:** 90%.

**Growth/development:** seedlings require partial shade and can be planted out after 6 weeks. Young trees fruit for the first time after 2 years.

**Notes:** collect fallen seeds during the dry season as they start to germinate at the onset of rain.