

**Scientific name:** *Daniellia ogea* (Harms) Holland.

**Family:** Leguminosae.

**Distribution/conservation status:** widely but sparsely distributed in evergreen and semi-deciduous forest, including riverine as well as swampy areas. Not assessed by the IUCN Red List.

**Common name:** Gum copal (English), Uya (Yoruba), Oziya (Edo), Abwa (Igbo), Ikpanya (Efik).

**Fruits/Seeds:** pale brown, flat, elliptic, pod, splitting open when ripe to expose a dark brown, oblong, flat seed which dangles from a small aril and stalk.

**Fruiting time:** November – March.

**Seed collection:** seeds attached to papery valves are dispersed by wind and can be collected at a distance from the tree.

**Type of seed:** recalcitrant.

**Sowing method:** detach seeds from valves and sow flat at a depth of 2 cm.

**Sowing medium:** topsoil.

**Germination period:** 4 days.

**Germination percentage:** 87%.

**Growth/development:** seedlings require full shade and can be planted out 12 weeks after germination. Saplings are light-demanding and thrive in forest gaps or margins.

**Note:** for optimum viability sow seeds immediately after collection.