

Giam (*Hopea*)

Vernacular names for the heavy timbers of *Hopea* spp. (Dipterocarpaceae) applied include *giam* (Peninsular Malaysia) with various epithets, *selangan* (Sabah and Sarawak). Major species include *H. ferrea*, *H. helferi*, *H. nutans*, *H. pentanervia* and *H. semicuneata*. The sapwood is yellow and is poorly defined from the heartwood, which is yellow with a greenish tinge when fresh and turns deep red-brown on exposure. Also known as Koki:r (Cambodia); Balau (Indonesia); Hin, Mai khaen fay and Mai la en (Laos); Thingyan (Myanmar); Heavy hopea (Papua New Guinea); Saplungan and Yakal (Philippines); Krabok-krang, Lao Tao, Takian Hin, Takian-Nu and Takian-rak (Thailand); and Sao xanh (Vietnam).

