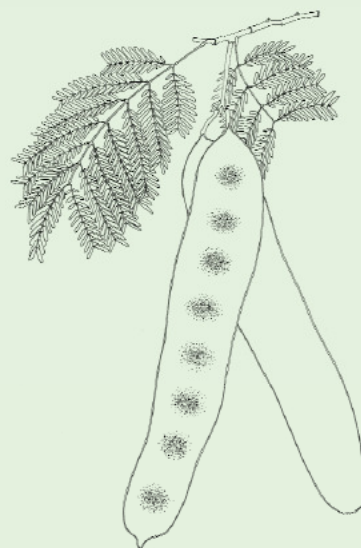


*Albizia brevifolia*

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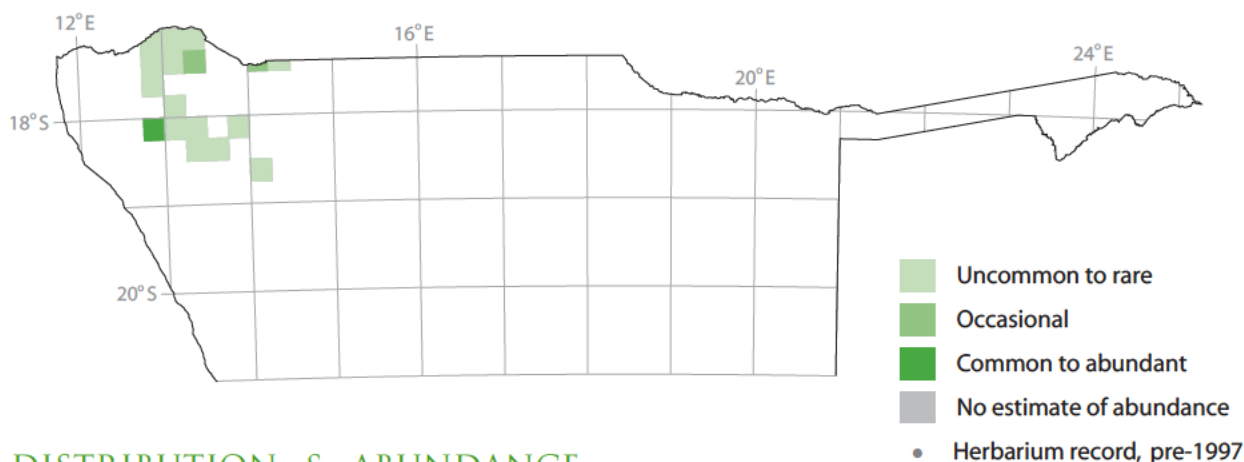
Mountain albizia (E); bergvalsdoring (A); omuryandjima (H); omumbala (O)

[27 records from 17 (2%) squares]



Generally shrub-like, with a shapeless crown and lax branches. BARK grey-black, smooth or shallowly fissured; branchlets often spine-tipped. LEAVES twice-compound with many small, narrowly oblong, blue-green leaflets, sparsely fringed with hairs. FLOWERS half-spherical heads, stamens long and numerous, petals small. FRUIT a straw-coloured to reddish, papery, flattened pod.

Flowers and pods are conspicuous. The tree has been confused with *Acacia* spp.



## DISTRIBUTION &amp; ABUNDANCE

North-western Namibia. Generally uncommon, sometimes locally common, never abundant.

## HABITAT

Various habitats, but mostly hill slopes. Always on rocky substrates.

## GROWTH FORM

Mostly a multi-stemmed tree 3–8 m high, sometimes over 8 m. Some shrubby forms up to 8 m. No young ones recorded.

## ANNUAL CYCLE

Observations were only made in four months. FLOWERS from September to December. FRUIT in most months. LEAVES seemingly present all year from herbarium records, except possibly in July and August for which there are no records.

## CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.