

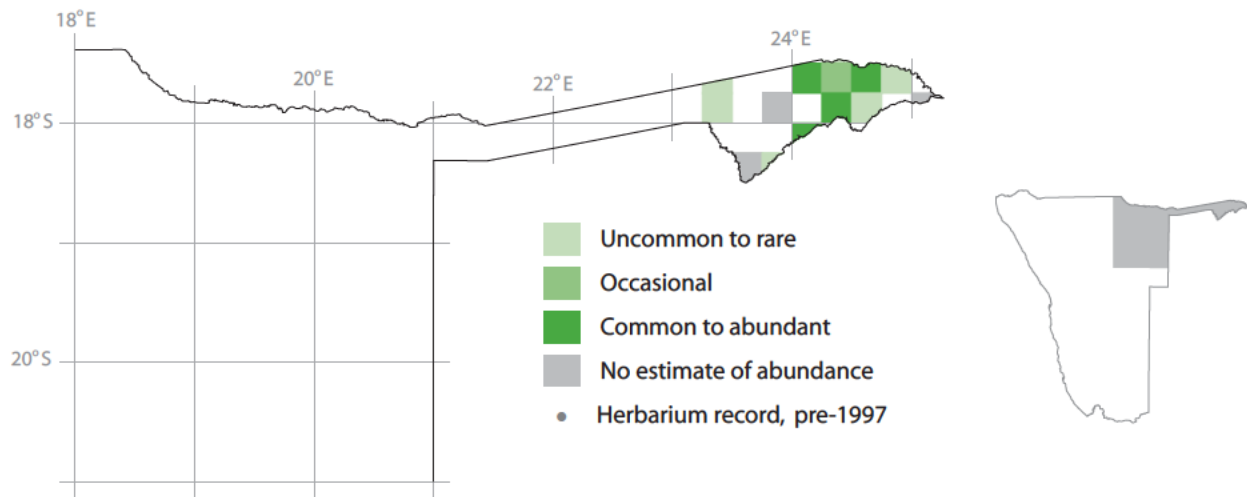
# *Lannea schweinfurthii*

= *Lannea stuhlmannii*

## Musamba

[29 records from 14 (1%) squares]

Erect, deciduous tree, slightly aromatic. BARK grey to light brown, flaking off to reveal pale orange underbark. LEAVES compound, petiole long and slender; lateral petiolules very short to almost absent, terminal petiolule much longer; leaflet ovate to almost circular, 20–90 mm long; **fresh green, hairy at first, becoming shiny and hairless when older**. FLOWERS small, cream-coloured to yellow, sweetly scented. FRUIT an elongate-ovoid, fleshy berry, about 12 mm long; reddish to brown-black when ripe.



## DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Widespread in eastern Caprivi only. Uncommon to common.

## ANNUAL CYCLE

Observations were only made from October to March. FLOWERS October to December, but mainly November. FRUIT only recorded once, in February, possibly because they are sought after and rapidly eaten by birds and other animals. LEAVES present when observations made.

## GENERAL

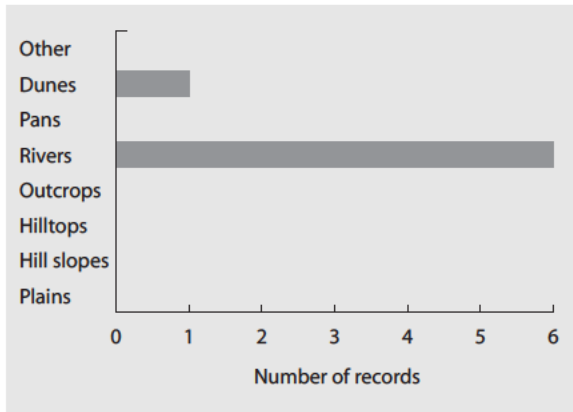
May form thickets in places. The fruit are edible.

## CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.

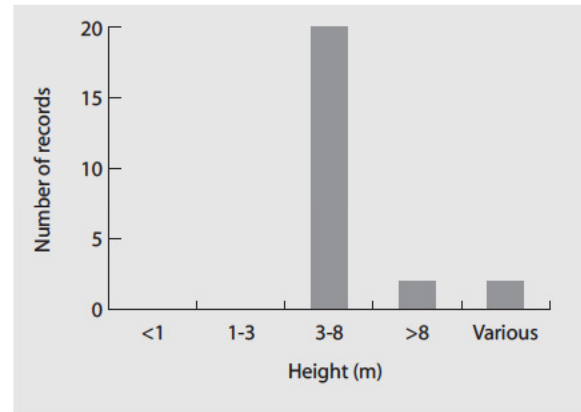
## HABITAT

Found mainly on floodplains, in mixed woodland.



## GROWTH FORM

Always a tree, generally 3–8 m high, but sometimes over 8 m. Young plants were only recorded once.



## ANACARDIACEAE | MANGO FAMILY

A large, diverse and widespread family including a number of commercially valuable species such as *Anacardium occidentale* (cashew nuts) and *Mangifera indica* (mango). *Schinus molle* (South American pepper) is often used in gardens as a shade and ornamental tree. Most members of the family produce a clear, aromatic resin, although the leaves are not glandular. Some of these resins are poisonous. The flowers are small, unisexual and inconspicuous; male and female flowers usually on different plants. In Namibia this family is composed of shrubs and trees which may have spiny twigs. Two genera, *Ozoroa* and *Rhus*, each have a number of species. *Sclerocarya birrea* (marula) has traditionally been a very important tree and is also becoming so commercially, particularly for the northern regions of Namibia.



*Lannea schweinfurthii* inflorescence,  
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