

Rhus quartiniana

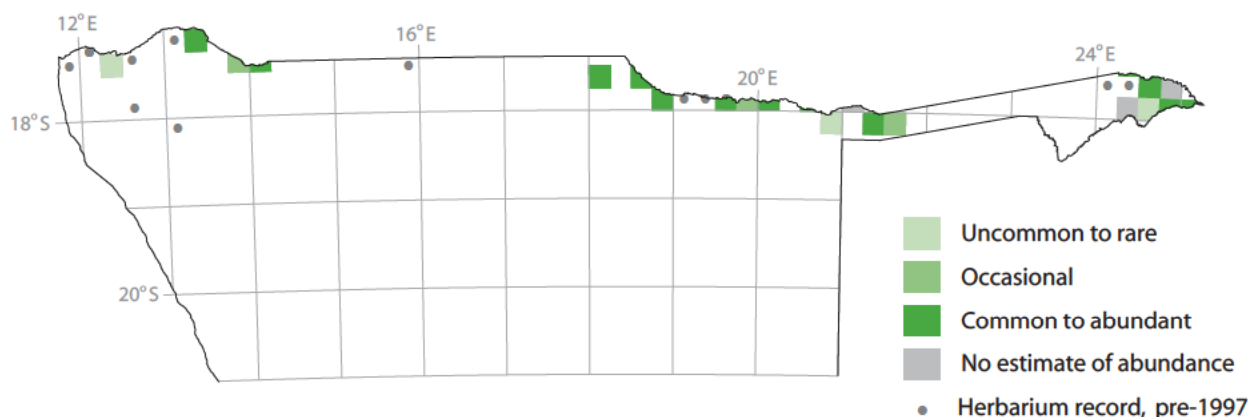
River Rhus

Chikwekwe (L); muddò (T)

[39 records from 22 (2%) squares]



Dense shrub or tree, **sometimes with spines**. BARK brownish, fissured, smooth, **with lenticels**; **young branchlets striate with dense, white to yellow downy covering**. LEAVES trifoliate; leaflets lanceolate to elliptic, terminal ones three times as long as broad; **shiny, dark green and sticky above; yellow-green to orange and downy below, with scales and glandular hairs**. FLOWERS tiny, star-like, yellow-green. FRUIT almost round, slightly flattened, yellow-brown.

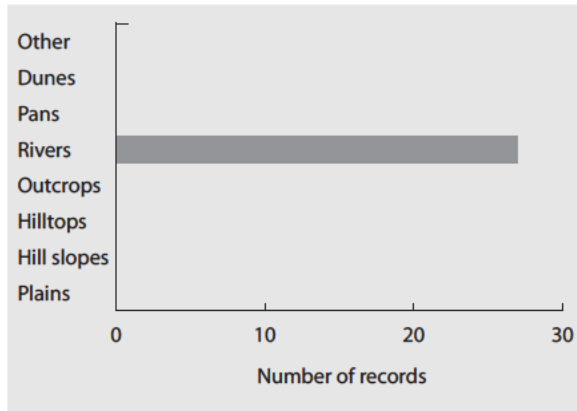


DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Along the northern perennial rivers excluding the Kwando River. Common on the Kunene and Okavango rivers; common to abundant on the Zambezi and Chobe rivers.

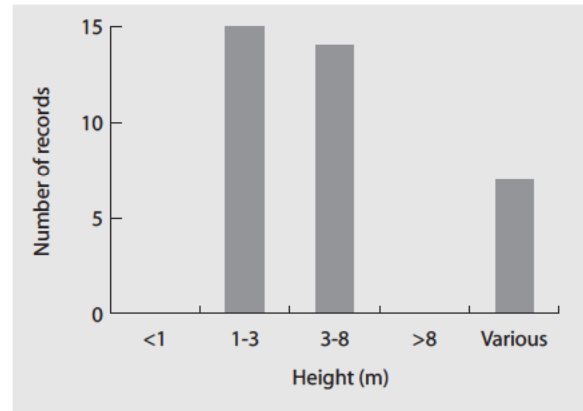
HABITAT

Mostly found on river banks, also on floodplains in Caprivi; occasionally in dry watercourses.



GROWTH FORM

A shrubby tree of up to 3 m high along the Kunene River and in the Caprivi. Mostly a tree in the 3–8-m height class along the Okavango River, but sometimes a shrub of less than 3 m.



ANNUAL CYCLE

FLOWERS October to June, but never many records. FRUIT occasional records from October to June. LEAVES evergreen.

CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.

Rhus undulata

Kuni Bush

Koeniebos (A); |kuni (K)

[25 records from 18 (2%) squares]

Evergreen, dense shrub. BARK grey-brown; **young branchlets covered in waxy scales; occasionally spiny, especially older branches.** LEAVES **with a shiny, lacquered appearance;** leaflets obovate, small, glandular, sticky; both surfaces dark green. FLOWERS small, star-like, greenish-yellow. FRUIT shiny, green to creamy yellow, but occasionally reddish when ripe.

