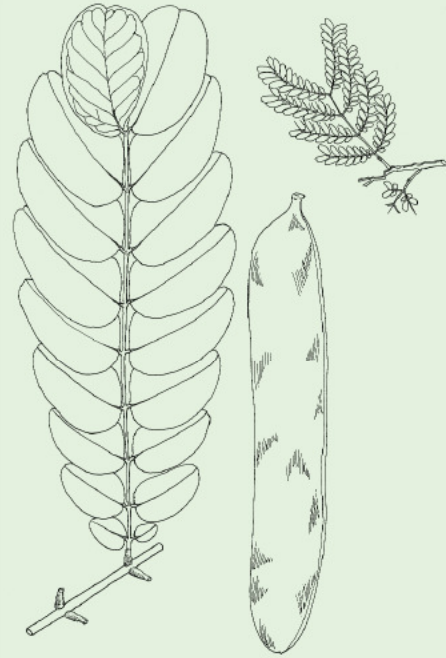


# *Albizia tanganyicensis*

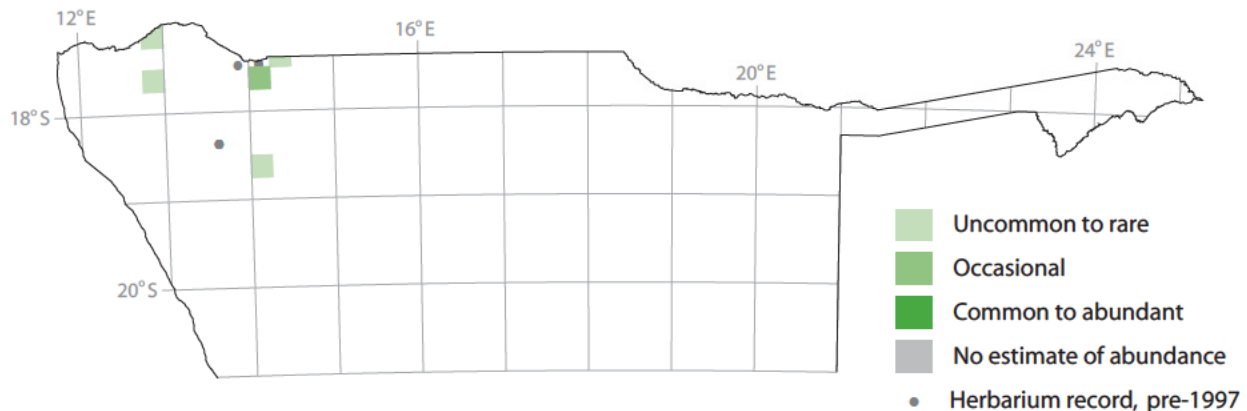
## Omupepe

Paper-bark albizia (E)

[5 records from 5 squares]



A tree with a single, slender trunk. BARK smooth, white to pale brown, flaking off in broad, reddish, papery sheets to expose a white underbark. LEAVES large with fairly few large leaflets, which vary from red-brown to bright green to dull green; tapering tip and asymmetric base. FLOWERS half-spherical heads, stamens long and numerous, cream to white, petals small. FRUIT a pale brown and somewhat woody pod.



### DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE

Uncommon to rare in scattered localities in north-western Namibia.

### HABITAT

Rocky hills and outcrops, usually near the top.

### GROWTH FORM

A tree, 3–8 m or over 8 m in height. No young trees recorded.

### ANNUAL CYCLE

These trees were only seen in summer, when they had leaves. The only flower records are on herbarium specimens collected in September 1968.

### GENERAL

A very beautiful and striking tree, about which very little is known in Namibia. It would be worth investigating its horticultural potential.

### CONSERVATION CONCERNS

None recorded.