

## Fava Amargosa

<b>Durability class</b>	Above ground: very durable, at ground contact: moderately durable.
<b>Specific gravity</b>	1100-1200 kg/m <sup>3</sup> .
<b>Colour</b>	Yellow green brown.
<b>Applications</b>	Interior: e.g. carpentry, window frames and doors exterior: e.g. window frames, cladding, doors and garden timber like deckings and underconstructions.
<b>Grain</b>	Mostly straight.
<b>Timber texture</b>	The timber texture of Fava amargosa wood is rough.
<b>Drying</b>	Moderately quick with a small risk of deformation and surface cracks.
<b>Workability</b>	Machining goes well, with a slight blunting effect. Pre-drilling is recommended. The finishing and gluing are reported to be good. Drying goes relatively quickly with slight risks of distortion and surface checking.
<b>Details</b>	The heartwood of Fava amargosa has a yellow brown colour with a bit green shade. It darkens after exposure. The parenchyma around the vessels gives it a stripy appearance. The grain is straight to irregular, sometimes interlocked. The texture is coarse.
<b>Botanical name</b>	Vatairea paraensis
<b>Origin area</b>	Tropical South- and Middle-America.
<b>Other names</b>	Faveira amargosa, Angelim Amargosa
<b>Remarks</b>	FSC Fava Amargosa wood is regularly available in the Amazon region of Brazil. The straight trunk has a diameter of about 60-90 cm and about 4-7 cm wide sapwood. This species is sometimes known as Angelim Amargosa.
<b>Family</b>	Leguminosae (Papilionaceae)