



Parkia multijuga Benth.

Family: Fabaceae.

Popular names: Faveira-arara-tucupi, arara-rucupi, atanã, benguê, camari, caurê, fava-atanã, fava-bolota, fava-arara-tucupi, fava-de-tucupi, faveira-benguê, faveira-branca, faveira-caurê, faveira-de-arara, faveira-grande-da-terra-firme, faveira-pé-de-arara, paricá, paricá-da-terra-firme, tucupi, visgueiro.

General characters: Heartwood/sapwood indistinct by color. Heartwood whitish. Without color alteration by photo-oxidation. Growth ring boundaries distinct. Individualized by darker tangential fibrous zones. Wood without brightness in the

longitudinal surfaces. Imperceptible smell. Soft to the manual transversal cut. Grain straight. Texture medium; or coarse. Figure present. Caused by the prominence of vascular lines.

Vessels/pores: Vessels present. Visible to the naked eye. Medium diameter (from 100 to 200 μ m). Diffuse-porous. Medium frequency (from 6 to 30 vessels/2mm²). Vessel groupings: predominantly solitary (more than 2/3). In undefined pattern. Of circular to oval outline. Perforation plates observed with a 10x hand lens. Simple perforation. Vessels partially blocked. By whitish substance.

Axial parenchyma: Observed. To the naked eye. Paratracheal. Paratracheal vasicentric; or lozenge-aliform.

Rays: Observed. Only with a 10x hand lens on the transversal and tangential surfaces. Little contrast on the radial surface. Fine (smaller than 100 μ m of width). Low (shorter than 1mm of height). Of little frequency (from 5 to 10 rays/mm).

Storied structure: Absent.

Secretory structure: Not observed.

Cambial variants: Not observed.

Physical-chemical tests: Chrome azurol-s test negative. Fluorescence test positive. Of yellowish color; or greenish color. Basic specific gravity low ((0,50g/cm³).

Geographical distribution: In the northern region of Brazil; or in the midwest region of Brazil.

Phytogeographic domain: Amazônia.

Conservation status: Not included in the official Brazilian flora list of endangered species. Not included in the CITES annex.

Data about commercialization: Included in the list of the 100 most commercialized native species in Brazil in 2008. Included in the list of the 100 most commercialized species in Brazil in 2009.

Other observations: The species of this genus are of difficult distinction, there is a great volume of wood in the market just in generic level.