

Dialium excelsum

About me: I am a medium to very large tree and can be found in the forests of the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda. In Uganda I only occur in a few localities. I have hard dark brown wood which can be used for building bridges, stairs and ships.

Why I'm rare: I am threatened by the loss of my forest home to mining and expanding agriculture. I am also targeted for making charcoal. As a result of these threats I am now listed as **Endangered** on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species and require urgent conservation action to secure my future in my natural habitat.

Taking action: Botanic garden collections, such as this one, can be used as a source of plant material to increase my numbers in the wild.



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