

# *Cedrelopsis gracilis* J.-F. Leroy

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Rutaceae

Striking features



## Description

*Stature:*

*Size:*

*Bark:* Patchwork of grey, yellow and brownish blotches or horizontal bands with black dots. When cut the bark gives off a \$odeur acidulee.

*Leaves:* Leaves alternate and aggregated at end of shoots. Parapinnate with 11-15 alternate leaflets. Rachis often extend beyond the terminal-most leaflet. Wood has a varnish smell.

*Flower:* in axillary cymes.

Dioecious.

*Fruit:* large dehiscent capsule (5 compartments).

*Seed:* light seed with an apycal wing.



## Ecology

*Status and distribution:* Endemic genus of eight species.

*Habitat requirements:*

*Phenology:*

*Kirindy:*

*Reproduction:* Wind-dispersed.

## Uses

Good timber tree that has been much exploited. Wood hard but attacked by insects. Used as poles but not buried in soil. Sought after firewood. Bark used against fever.

## Sources and further information

*General:*

*Botanical description:* Abraham (1991) p 61. Schatz (2005) p 347.

*Forestry:* Grisa (1987)

*Kirindy:* Anon. (1993) no. 40 & 449.

*Herbarium specimen:*