Brigalow – Acacia harpophylla

Wood Appearance

Colour – Heartwood varies from dark reddish-brown to, more commonly, dark brown. Sapwood thin, yellow and quite distinct.

Grain - Close-grained. Relatively straight grained.

Wood Properties

Density - 1025 kg/m³

Durability – Class 2 - Highly resistant to decay when fully exposed to the weather, clear of the ground and well drained with free air circulation. Moderately decay resistant in ground contact.

Hardness - Very Hard (rated 1 on a 6 class scale) in relation to indentation and ease of working with hand tools

Identification Features

Sapwood – White to yellow, with distinct heartwood boundary.

Heartwood – Dark brown, chestnut brown, often variegated

Texture – Fine, interlocked grain

Wood Structure

Vessels - Solitary, and radial rows of 2-5, small, numerous, indistinct without a lens

Parenchyma - Fine, paratracheal and terminal, also surrounding vessels

Rays - Fine, barely visible with a lens

Other Features

Burning Splinter Test - A match size splinter burns to a white ash

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