

TANZANIA TREE SEED AGENCY



HANDLING SEED OF *XERODERRIS STUHLMANII* (WING POD TREE)

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Temporary storage

Seeds can be stored for 2 years at room temperature without significant loss of viability, if kept dry and packed in airtight containers free of insects.

Treatment before sowing

Seeds do not require any pre-treatment.

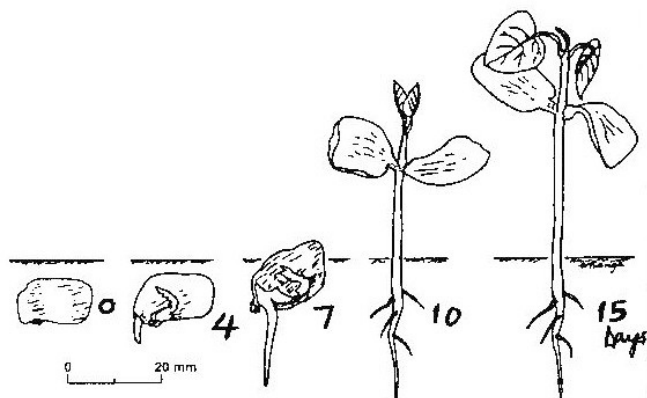
Sowing

Seeds should preferably be sown directly into polyethylene pots. One or two seeds (depending on viability) should be placed at the centre of the pot and covered with the potting soil or sand to a depth of about 1 cm.

Germination

Germination reaches 20% after 8 days and 80% after 14 days from sowing day.

One kg contains 2,500 seeds and may produce 2,000 seedlings under ideal conditions. Nevertheless, in many cases only 1,500 seedlings can be obtained.



Germination stages in seeds of *Xeroderris stuhlmanii*

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