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A FEW CLARIFICATIONS ARE IN ORDER! ABNORMAL TIMBER COLORATION

These defects are hardly discernible on logs unless they appear in the cuts, and even then they are very often located at different heights within the log. The defect may appear as discoloured or over-coloured areas.

ORIGIN IN THE TREE

These are growth anomalies that result either from a blockage of a tree's metabolism at a certain period of its life and in certain specific areas of its trunk, or as a reaction to an external aggression. The defects are quite specific for certain species:

- spot stains on Lati, Iroko
- discoloration of the timber on Sapelli, Moabi, Makoré
- black veins on Movingui
- light stains on Padouk

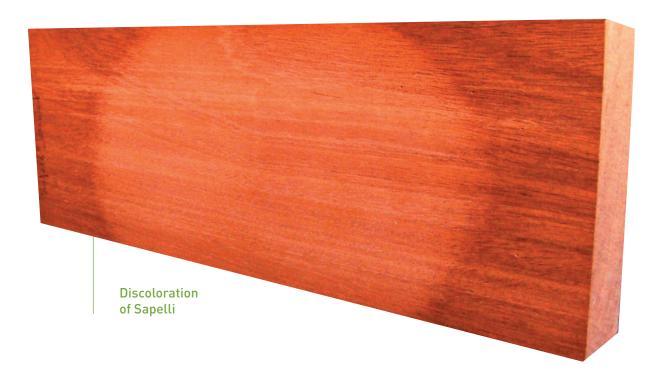
Note: this type of problem is specific to a tree and not to a geographical area.



CONSEQUENCE ON THE TIMBER

In addition to the aesthetic disorders that are part of this anomaly, these disturbances can have a negative effect on durability. On the other hand, the mechanical characteristics are not affected.

Stains on Iroko at the end of its life (a timber that is remarkably soft and easy to work)





Stains on Makore



Stains on Bossé



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