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#### Scientific classification

Kingdom: Plantae

Division: Magnoliophyta Class: Magnoliopsida

Order: Fabales
Family: Fabaceae
Subfamily: Faboideae
Tribe: Dalbergieae

Genus: *Pterocarpus*Species: *P. santalinus* 

## Binomial name

## Pterocarpus santalinus

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The **Red sandalwood** or **red sanders** (*Pterocarpus santalinus*) is a species of tree in the family Fabaceae, which yields valuable timber.

The timber of this species is found in classic Chinese furniture. It is used in the construction of the *erhu*, a Chinese bowed string instrument. Indian women make use of the dye extracted from it.