

## *Neolamarkia cadamba*

**Botanical Name:** *Neolamarkia cadamba*

**Common Name:** Kadam

### **Morphological Characters:**

A fully mature kadam tree can reach up to 45 m (148 ft) in height. It is a large tree with a broad crown and straight cylindrical bole. It is quick growing, with broad spreading branches and grows rapidly in the first 6–8 years. The trunk has a diameter of 100–160 cm, but typically less than that. Leaves are 13–32 cm (5.1–12.6 in) long. Flowering usually begins when the tree is 4–5 years old. Kadam flowers are sweetly fragrant, red to orange in colour, occurring in dense, globular heads of approximately 5.5 cm (2.2 in) diameter.



### **Growing Season and Type:**

1. It grows best in warm and humid climate and rich loamy soil.
2. The growth is rapid in the first 6-8 years and the tree attains maximum size in about 20 years.
3. Flowers appear from June to August.
4. Tree comes to flowering when 4-5 years old.
5. Kadamba leaves may develop yellowing due to iron deficiency in very alkaline poorly drained soils.



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1) Flower image of *Neolamarkia kadamba*

2) Leaf image of *Neolamarkia kadamba*

3) Tree image of *Neolamarkia kamba*

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