TIMBER PLANTATIONS
GETTING TO KNOW THE TREES

1.2 MILLION
hectares of timber plantations in
SOUTH AFRICA.

Less than 1% is other commercially grown species: yellowwood, blackwood, jacaranda, oak and cypress. 99.7% is made up of 3 MAIN GENERA

PINES (softwood)
51%
619,311 ha

EUCALYPTUS (hardwood)
42%
512,226 ha

WATTLE (hardwood)
7%
88,319 ha

PINE

3 MAIN SPECIES

P. patula
P. elliotti
P. radiata

Plus various other species and hybrids selected and specifically bred to combat tree threats and improve production.

END PRODUCTS

WHERE ARE THE PLANTATIONS?

8% Western Cape (47,312 ha)

4% Limpopo (26,919 ha)

19% Eastern Cape (118,326 ha)

20% KwaZulu-Natal (120,920 ha)

49% Mpumalanga (305,835 ha)
**EUCALYPTUS**

**5 MAIN SPECIES**

- *E. grandis*
- *E. nitens*
- *E. macarthur*
- *E. smithii*
- *E. dunnii*

Plus various other species and hybrids selected and specifically bred to combat tree threats and improve production.

**WHERE ARE THE PLANTATIONS?**

- **KwaZulu-Natal (57%)**: 293,404 ha
- **Mpumalanga (34%)**: 175,032 ha
- **Limpopo (4%)**: 21,300 ha
- **Eastern Cape (4%)**: 20,868 ha
- **Western Cape (1%)**: 1,622 ha

**END PRODUCTS**

- Timber
- Wood Chips
- Pulp and Paper
- Mining Poles
- Transmission Poles
- Building Poles
- Boards
- Furniture
- Cellulose
- Telephone Poles

**WATTLE**

**1 MAIN SPECIES**

- *A. mearnsii*

**WHERE ARE THE PLANTATIONS?**

- **KwaZulu-Natal (83%)**: 73,118 ha
- **Limpopo (2%)**: 72 ha
- **Eastern Cape (2%)**: 2,144 ha
- **Mpumalanga (15%)**: 12,965 ha

**END PRODUCTS**

- Pulp and Paper
- Tannin
- Wood Chips
- Adhesives
- Charcoal
- Tannin Extract