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Southern African Essential  
Oil Producers' Association



# Information Brochure

for the essential & vegetable seed oils industry

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# Foreword

The Natural Product industry has experienced renewed interest over a wide range of applications, with organic certification of many products being driven by demand. With the modern consumer conscious of the advantages and value of natural products of good quality, it is imperative that quality is addressed. Certification and standardisation have therefore become a priority in the marketability of natural products, including essential and vegetable seed oils. Information about the supplier, the processing and the end product is required in most natural products.

Most buyers will ask the frequently asked questions, e.g. quality, quantity available, source of plants, sustainability, certifications and properties of a product, even though the answers might be in the public domain. Product information is mandatory and regulations specify that it appears on the labels. Traceability is regarded as crucial, especially with organic and natural products.

Information on natural products is valuable when a formulator must choose between a well-known classic oil or a niche and indigenous oil. The properties need to be compared for a specific application. This document combines information on the producer, the product, sustainability issues and expected quality values. However, summative information on some of the species has not been easy to obtain, especially on the indigenous ones.

The contact information of all the producer members of the association in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) is available in the publication as a directory, while the catalogues provide the latest research findings, with the technical information on the products included. The sustainable supply of a product is significantly important in the development of current products, hence the information about the supplier is included.

We wish to thank the GQSP-SA Phase II project for its vision and support in producing this comprehensive document as a guide for the benefit of the consumers of essential and vegetable seed oils, as part of the natural product industry.



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# Essential and Vegetable Seed Oils produced in SADC

With their rich biological diversity and the rapidly escalating demand for essential and vegetable seed oils worldwide, the countries of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) region have the potential to be global suppliers of essential and vegetable seed oils, and to grow the local industry into a productive and economically viable industry. As an example, South Africa alone hosts 21 000 species.

While the essential oil and vegetable seed oil species have high-impact value chains that are of strategic importance to SADC countries due to their potential in generating GDP and new employment opportunities, industry needs to ensure sustainability of supplied quantity and consistent quality if the producers are to access international markets.

The industry is thus acutely aware of the importance of producing a consistent quality of oil for the reputation of the enterprise and the industry, as it affects the safety of the value added product but also the economics of the industry.

As a result, the Southern African Essential Oils Producers Association (SAEOPA) was established in 2000 as a non-profit organization, to promote essential oils and natural plant products' production, processing and export. With the assistance of the Global Quality and Standards Programme South Africa (GQSP-SA) since 2018, SAEOPA's membership has grown from 38 in 2018 to more than 190 members in 2023, not only from South Africa, but also from other SADC member states and Uganda.

## Essential oils

**Essential oils: a class of volatile odours/fragrant oils originating in certain plants.** They are produced from steam distilling of the harvested vegetative material and used in various applications in flavour and fragrance industries, as well as pharmaceutical and nutraceutical products. The hydrolat is a by-product of the oils and is sold as well.



*Colours of essential oils vary: For example, Cape Chamomile has light green, blue to ink blue oil. Lippia oil is golden yellow and Geranium is deep green in colour.*

## Vegetable seed oils

**Vegetable seed oil: an oil extracted from fruits, nuts or seed.** The seeds of mature plants are cold pressed and filtered to produce a vegetable seed oil, commonly used as a carrier oil in aromatherapy and as an ingredient in natural cosmetics. The seed cake is a valuable animal feed as was experienced in times of drought.



*Vegetable seed oil differs in colour. For example, Kalahari Melon is light yellow in colour. Marula is dark yellow in colour while Manketti/ Mongongo is lighter. Ximenia is bright yellow to orange in colour.*















## Producers of Essential and Vegetable Seed Oils in Southern African Development Community (SADC)




# ESSENTIAL OILS



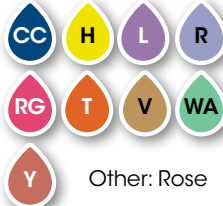



























## KEY : Producers of Essential oils































<b>B</b> Buchu	<b>F</b> Frankincense	<b>LI</b> Lippia	<b>LTT</b> Lemon Tea Tree	<b>RG</b> Rose Geranium	<b>V</b> Vetiver
<b>CC</b> Cape Chamomile	<b>H</b> Helichrysum	<b>L</b> Lavender	<b>MY</b> Myrrh	<b>T</b> Tagete	<b>WA</b> Wormwood Artemisia
<b>C</b> Catnip	<b>K</b> Kigelia	<b>LG</b> Lemongrass	<b>R</b> Rosemary	<b>TT</b> Tea Tree	<b>Y</b> Yarrow
<b>E</b> Eucalyptus					

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## Catalogue of Essential Oils produced in Southern Africa

<b>Buchu Oil</b> 	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Agathosma betulina/crenulata</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Pharmaceutical products and food flavouring	
	<b>Part used</b>	Leaves and stems	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Western Cape, wild and cultivated	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil has a strong, pungent, animalic and minty smell</li> <li>Light and pale straw colour to golden yellow, depending on the species and whether it is a hybrid of the two species in cultivated areas</li> <li>Buchu oil has a strong blackcurrant and minty scent and is known for its antiseptic and anti-inflammatory properties</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	The specie is wild harvested and cultivated as the wild population cannot supply sustainably for the demand of dried and oil products	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	Buchu has a complex chemistry difficult to copy	

<b>Blue Gum</b> 	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Eucalyptus smithii, E globulus, E radiata</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Pharmaceutical products and food flavouring	
	<b>Part used</b>	Leaves	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Originated in Australia, cultivated in SADC	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil has a characteristic camphor smell</li> <li>Light and pale straw colour, depending on the species</li> <li>Eucalyptus is known for its antiseptic and anti-inflammatory properties</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	The specie is cultivated	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	Presence of terpenes and terpinoids	

<b>Cape chamomile / Snow Bush</b> 	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Erioccephalus punctulatus/tenuifolium/africanus</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Pharmaceutical and aromatherapy	
	<b>Part used</b>	Leaves and stems	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Eastern and Western Cape, wild populations as well as cultivated	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil has a typical strong chamomile smell, and is light green to ink blue in colour</li> <li>The distinct blue essential oil obtained from Erioccephalus sp. is known in the trade as Cape Chamomile and has become an important ingredient in flavour and fragrance formulations</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Least concern (according to SANBI)	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	High value green to ink blue essential oil	

## Cat Nip

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Nepeta cataria</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Pharmaceutical products and food flavouring
<b>Part used</b>	Leaves
<b>Distribution</b>	Originally from southern and eastern Europe, the Middle East, Central Asia, and parts of China
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil has a strong, pungent, animalic and minty smell</li> <li>Light yellow colour to golden yellow</li> <li>The oil and dried leaves are known to pet lovers - relax cats</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	The specie is cultivated
<b>Unique feature</b>	The plant terpenoid nepetalactone is the main chemical constituent of the essential oil of <i>Nepeta cataria</i>



## Impepho, Everlasting, Cape Gold

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Helichrysum splendidum/odoratissimum</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Mood enhancement, perfumery and wound healing
<b>Part used</b>	Flowering tops
<b>Distribution</b>	The genus is widely spread in all provinces, but mostly harvested in Limpopo and Eastern Cape
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil has a strong, spicy aroma</li> <li>Oil from <i>H. odoratissimum</i> is transparent, while those of <i>H. petiolare</i>, <i>H. splendidum</i> and <i>H. cymosum</i> are yellow to bright yellow in colour</li> <li>The highest yield is obtained from <i>H. odoratissimum</i> at 0.21% oil from the harvested and distilled herbage</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened
<b>Unique feature</b>	Mind altering features when smoke is inhaled. Important during traditional ceremonies



## Kakiebush

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Tagete minuta</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Perfumery, flavouring and pharmaceutical, insecticide, fungicide
<b>Part used</b>	Young plant stems and leaves
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated and wild harvested in SA Originally from Mexico but naturalised in SADC
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deep yellow to orange, light brown to visually stunning dark red hue</li> <li>Rich, pleasing, almost sensual scent</li> <li>Fruity and very aromatic</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Invasive if not utilised
<b>Unique feature</b>	Alpha and beta thujone



## Lavender

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Lavender officinalis/Lavandin</i>
<b>Uses</b>	General relaxer for anxiety, insomnia, restlessness, perfumery and aromatherapy
<b>Part used</b>	Flowering tops
<b>Distribution</b>	The genus is widely cultivated in all provinces in SA
<b>Oil description</b>	The oil is colourless to straw colour
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive
<b>Unique feature</b>	Very popular and widely applied in several formulations



## Lemon Bush

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Lippia javanica</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Insect repellent, fungicide and steamed for chest problems
<b>Part used</b>	Leaves and young green stems
<b>Distribution</b>	All over SADC. Mostly in Eastern Cape, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, North-West and scattered in Gauteng
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An outstanding feature of the genus is the difference in the composition of its essential oils within the same species from different geographic locations</li> <li>• Research on the different chemical compositions and pharmacological effects is constantly revealing more active ingredients for use in perfumery and industrial use</li> <li>• The oil has a strong citral aroma, and is bright yellow to orange in colour</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Least concern
<b>Unique feature</b>	Strong citronella aroma, which is applied as an insecticide



## Lemongrass

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Cymbopogon citratus</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Culinary, room freshener and soaps and candles and cosmetic industry
<b>Part used</b>	Leaf tops
<b>Distribution</b>	The genus is originally from India, but cultivated in frost free areas in SA
<b>Oil description</b>	The oil is light to dark yellow
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive
<b>Unique feature</b>	Lemongrass contains phenolic metabolites (including phenolic acids, flavonoids, stilbenes, and lignans), terpenoids, and alkaloids, which are potent bioactive ingredients



## Lemon Scented Tea Tree

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Leptospermum petersonii</i>
<b>Uses</b>	It is widely used for pharmaceutical, food and beverage, and cosmetic applications, mouth wash, wounds, room and linen freshener
<b>Part used</b>	Leaves and young stems
<b>Distribution</b>	The genus is cultivated in SADC but originated in Australia, New Zealand and Southeast Asia
<b>Oil description</b>	The oil is pale yellow, and has a strong, zesty, lemon fragrance useful in various applications in the flavours and fragrances industry
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive
<b>Unique feature</b>	Very popular and considered safe in several formulations with high citronella content



## Rose Geranium

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Pelargonium var Rose</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Aromatherapy, cosmetics, flavouring and pharmaceutical
<b>Part used</b>	Young plant stems and leaves
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated from hybrid in Gauteng, Eastern and Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal & North-West. It is also produced in Botswana, Kenya and Zimbabwe
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The essential oil in rose geranium leaves contains the constituent's geraniol, linalool and citronello, which are also present in rose oil</li> <li>• The pale green essential oil is steam distilled from fresh flowers, stalks and leaves</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not in the wild, cultivated only
<b>Unique feature</b>	Substitute for high value rose oil





## Rosemary

R

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Rosemarinus officinalis/Salvia rosmarinus</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Aromatherapy, cosmetics, flavouring and pharmaceutical
<b>Part used</b>	Young plant stems and leaves
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated in SA. Originally from Mediterranean countries
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The essential oil in rosemary has three chemotypes: Camphor – borneol 1,8 Cineole Verbenone</li> <li>Rosemary Var. Verbenone essential oil is a pale yellow to almost colourless oil with a strong, fresh, woody herbaceous, and balsamic aroma</li> <li>High in Alpha pinene</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive
<b>Unique feature</b>	The Verbenone variety is considered the gentlest of the Rosemary chemotypes and is known to be less stimulating than Rosemary Cineole



## Tea Tree

T

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Melaleuca alternifolia</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Antiseptic in many pharmaceutical applications
<b>Part used</b>	Young plant stems and leaves
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated in SADC. Originally from Australia Cultivated in China and Europe
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Colourless to pale yellow</li> <li>Characteristic terpinene</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Invasive if not utilised
<b>Unique feature</b>	Alpha terpinene, Gamma terpinene, and Terpinene 4OL



## Vetiver

V

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Vetiveria zizanioides</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Aromatherapy, cosmetics, flavouring and pharmaceutical
<b>Part used</b>	Roots
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated in SA. Originally from Indonesia and India
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pale to colourless</li> <li>Sweet earthy smelling, smokey or woody</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Used to rehabilitate mining dumps and prevent erosion
<b>Unique feature</b>	One of the oils that is highest in sesquiterpenes



## Yarrow

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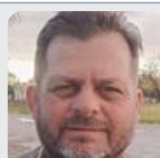






<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Achillea millefolium</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Aromatherapy, cosmetics, and pharmaceutical
<b>Part used</b>	Flowering tops
<b>Distribution</b>	Cultivated in SA. Originally from Eurasia. Occurs widely from the UK to China. In North America, both native and introduced genotypes, and both diploid and polyploid plants are found
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deep inky blue</li> <li>Herby, woody, sweet</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive in SADC
<b>Unique feature</b>	Chamazulene is a sesquiterpene that exhibits anti-inflammatory and antispasmodic properties



# VEGETABLE SEED OILS











































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# Catalogue of Vegetable Seed Oils produced in Southern Africa

<div>B</div> <div>Baobab</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Adansonia digitata</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Oil is included in formulation of cosmetics and hair care products, powder in food industry	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed and cake from seed pods is dried and pounded	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Limpopo, Botswana, Zimbabwe and other neighbouring countries	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Baobab oil is semi-fluid, slightly scented; golden-yellow oil is generally obtained by pressing the seeds, followed by filtration</li> <li>The oil is extremely stable with a highly variable shelf life, estimated to be between 2 and 5 years</li> <li>The high saponification value of baobab oil is comparable to some of the edible oils, such as groundnut oil, marula oil and palm oil</li> <li>The iodine value of the oil is 87.9 g/100 g, and it is therefore classified as a non-drying oil</li> <li>The oil contains saturated (33%), monounsaturated (36%) and polyunsaturated (31%) fatty acids</li> <li>Palmitic and oleic acids are major constituents of the oil and an investigation of the oil stability index (OSI) revealed results comparable to olive oil and evening primrose oil</li> <li>Baobab oil displays the slowest rate of oxidation (8.2 h) compared to olive and evening primrose oil</li> <li>One of the major sterol constituents present in baobab seed oil includes <math>\beta</math>-Sitosterol (~80% of the total sterols)</li> <li>Other sterols include campesterol (8.3%) and stigmasterol (2.9%)</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Least concerned, not threatened	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	Drought resistant and food to many animals	

<div>F</div> <div>Frankincense</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Boswellia sp</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and perfumery	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Least concerned, not threatened	

<div>J</div> <div>Jojoba</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Simmondsia chinensis</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Carrier oil in cosmetics, cooking oil and pharmaceutical products	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed for oil, seed cake is used in cosmetics and other personal care products	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Originally from southern Arizona, southern California and north-western Mexico. Cultivated in SADC in dry areas	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The oil makes up approximately 50% of the jojoba seed by weight</li> <li>The terms "jojoba oil" and "jojoba wax" are often used interchangeably because the wax visually appears to be a mobile oil</li> <li>As a wax it is composed almost entirely (~97%) of mono-esters of long-chain fatty acids (wax ester) and alcohols (isopropyl jojobate), accompanied by only a tiny fraction of triglyceride esters</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive if harvested	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	It has an oxidative stability index of approximately 60, which means that it is more shelf stable than safflower oil, canola oil, almond oil, or squalene but less than castor oil and coconut oil	



KM

Kalahari Melon

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Citrullus lanatus</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Carrier oil in cosmetics, cooking oil and pharmaceutical products
<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed for oil, seed cake is used in animal feed
<b>Distribution</b>	Abundant spread out in all provinces in SA
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kalahari Melon seed oil is light yellow in colour</li> <li>• Rich in essential fatty acids</li> <li>• The oil has a very low saponification value</li> <li>• The iodine value ranges between 100 and 150</li> <li>• Kalahari Melon oil has a typical iodine value is 119 Wijs</li> <li>• The generally low peroxide values of oils from the Cucurbitaceae family indicate that they are less liable to oxidative rancidity at room temperature</li> <li>• Phytochemical analysis of the fatty acid content of the oil revealed that linoleic acid is present in the highest concentration followed by oleic, palmitic and stearic acids</li> <li>• The oil contains a high level of gamma-tocopherol (70.56 mg/100 g) as the major component, then gamma-tocopherol (25.94 mg/100 g)</li> <li>• Amongst the phytosterols, beta-sitosterol (485.49 mg/100 g) is the key phytosterol extracted from Kalahari Melon seed oils, followed by campesterol (130.41 mg/100 g) and stigmasterol (25.87 mg/100 g)</li> <li>• The main phenolic acids present are gallic, protocatechuic, p-hydroxybenzoic, vanillic, caffeic, syringic (trace), p-coumaric and ferulic acids</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened
<b>Unique feature</b>	Kalahari Melon oil contains 70% Essential Fatty Acids and up to 2,800 mg/kg Vitamin E



MF

Mafura/  
Natal Mahogany

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Trichillea emetica</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and beverages e.g. gin
<b>Part used</b>	Seed
<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC
<b>Oil description</b>	A light butter in solid state at room temperature
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened





MN


Manketti/Mongongo


<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Schinziophyton rautanenii</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetic and hair products
<b>Part used</b>	Seed
<b>Distribution</b>	Limpopo province and north of the Limpopo river
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manketti seed oil consists mainly of fatty acids, including linoleic, oleic, palmitic, linolenic and erucic acids, with lesser quantities of myristic and myristoleic acids</li> <li>• It is rich in Vitamin E (565 mg/100 g of the kernel), which provides excellent oxidative stability and a long shelf life</li> <li>• Due to the very high <math>\gamma</math>-tocopherol content, the oil is very stable, and does not oxidise into rancidity for a very long time, in spite of the African heat</li> <li>• The oil of Manketti can be used as a single ingredient if applied as tissue oil</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened
<b>Unique feature</b>	Occurs all along the elephant routes



<div>M</div> <div>Marula</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Sclerocarya birrea</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Seeds are pressed for oil, fruit pulp is made into beer, jams and jellies, while the seed cake is pelletized for animal feed	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seeds	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Widely distributed in Limpopo and Mpumalanga and some in KwaZulu-Natal	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marula oil has a clear, pale, yellowish-brown colour</li> <li>• The oil has a pleasant, nutty aroma</li> <li>• It is classified as medium-rich and is silky to the touch with an excellent 'slip factor', making it ideal as massage oil</li> <li>• Marula oil is rich in monounsaturated fatty acids, which makes the oil very stable</li> <li>• The oxidative stability of Marula oil is very high</li> <li>• The fatty acid composition of Marula oil is an excellent source of natural oleic acid, which is comparable to that of olive oil, being rich in stearic and palmitic acids and particularly in oleic acid</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Protected	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	High Vitamin C in the fresh and good source of food for wide range of animals	

<div>MP</div> <div>Mopane</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Colophospermum mopane</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and beverages e.g. gin	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened	

<div>MO</div> <div>Moringa</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Moringa oleifera</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Carrier oil in cosmetics, cooking oil and pharmaceutical products	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed for oil, seed cake is used in cosmetics and other personal care products	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Abundant spread out in all disturbed areas	
	<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beta-sitosterol, a phytosterol found in Moringa oil, may have antioxidant and benefits diabetics</li> <li>• Moringa oil is high in protein and oleic acid, a monounsaturated omega-9 fatty acid</li> </ul>	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive if harvested	
	<b>Unique feature</b>	Food-grade Moringa oil is a healthy, monounsaturated fat	

<div>MY</div> <div>Myrrh</div>	<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Commiphora sp</i>	
	<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and beverages e.g. gin	
	<b>Part used</b>	Seed	
	<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC	
	<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened	

P

Passion Fruit

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Passiflora edulis</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Carrier oil in cosmetics, cooking oil and pharmaceutical products, is a wonderful emollient
<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed for oil, seed cake is used in cosmetics and other personal care products
<b>Distribution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The origin is in South America, throughout northern Argentina, Paraguay, and southern Brazil, but is widely grown in the tropics and subtropics worldwide</li> <li>Planted and cultivated as a commercial crop in SADC</li> </ul>
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delicate light yellow oil, faint aroma</li> <li>Passion Fruit seed oil, also known as Maracuja oil, rich in Vitamins A &amp; C and potassium</li> <li>It has a light, non-greasy texture, which helps to balance the moisture</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive if harvested
<b>Unique feature</b>	It absorbs right into your skin - making it a 100% natural tissue oil



R

Rosehip

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Rose canina</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Carrier oil in cosmetics, cooking oil and pharmaceutical products
<b>Part used</b>	Seed is pressed for oil, seed cake is used in cosmetics and other personal care products
<b>Distribution</b>	Abundant spread out in all disturbed areas
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The colour can vary from a golden orange to a very deep red depending on the season</li> <li>The oil is best known for its high concentration (highest pure vegetable oils) by All-Trans Retinoic Acid (ATRA or as it is often abbreviated)</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not invasive if harvested
<b>Unique feature</b>	It is one of a very few oils that contains Vitamins A, C and E, in a totally natural form. This is a superb product that, amongst its many benefits, can reduce the signs of premature ageing



K

Sausage Tree

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Kigelia africana</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and beverages e.g. gin
<b>Part used</b>	Seed
<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened



X

Sour Plum

<b>Botanical name</b>	<i>Ximenia africana/americana</i>
<b>Uses</b>	Cosmetics and nail products
<b>Part used</b>	Seed
<b>Distribution</b>	Widely spread throughout SADC
<b>Oil description</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From the analysis of the seed oil the major components are oleic, hexacos-17-enoic (ximenic), linoleic, linolenic and stearic acids</li> <li>There are smaller quantities of triacont-21-enoic (lumequic), octadec-11-en-9-ynoic (ximenynic), arachidonic, erucic, and nervonic acids</li> <li>Ximenia oil contains very long chain fatty acids (rarely found naturally), with up to 40 carbon atoms</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological status</b>	Not threatened
<b>Unique feature</b>	Drought resistant





# SAEOPA

## Who We Are

SAEOPA, a non-profit organization, was established in 2000 to promote essential oils and natural plant products' production, processing, and export. It represents and promote the interests of members and the industry, providing a unified and independent mouthpiece of the industry.

It aims to facilitate the sustainability of and increase the competitiveness of members and the national and regional industry. It also empowers members via training, workshops, conferences, trade missions, etc.

SAEOPA's membership and value-adding services are available to:

- Producers (growers)
- Processors
- Distributors and exporters
- Academic and research institutions
- Test laboratories
- Other stakeholders within the value chain
- Other interested parties.












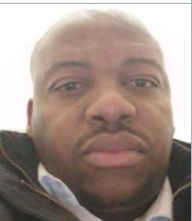


## Recognising Our People

### Investing in the Future

While many think of the industry of essential oils, perfumery and fragrance as an ageing one, the youth has fortunately expressed renewed interest and added a fresh perspective, with new developments, improved technology and exciting applications.

It is therefore imperative to encourage the involvement of the youth to take the industry forward and add value to the natural products that are increasingly in demand.

### Youth in Action Chamber 2023

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## Veterans, Pioneers, Legends and Stalwarts of the Natural Product Industry

Throughout its history, the Natural Product Industry has grown and developed into a dynamic sector through the selfless and dedicated efforts of veterans, pioneers, legends and stalwarts. While some have already passed on, we wish to pay tribute to all those who have contributed with their expertise and commitment to research, development, and creating awareness of the importance of natural products.

In looking for solutions to our current challenges, we continue to build on the solid foundation established by these people.

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Five indigenous essential and five indigenous vegetable oils were identified by GQSP-SA, in collaboration with SAEOPA, as being in high market demand by the cosmetic, food and health sectors, and to be of strategic importance to South Africa due to their potential in generating GDP and new employment.



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