

**CAESALPINIA ECHINATA Lam.**  
**(LEGUMINOSAE) – BRASILTRÆ**  
– Træet, der lagde navn til en haly verdensdel

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*Caesalpinia echinata* Lam. (Leguminosae) – Brazilwood –  
The tree to give name to half a continent

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**SUMMARY:**

The origin of the name of Brazil and the origin, introduction and use of Brazilwood in Europe.