

Igoa Samoa :

Fetau

Common Name :

**Alexandrian
Laurel**

Scientific Name :

***Calophyllum
inophyllum***



O se la'au e malu lautele lona paolo. E fa'aogā lau ma le suā'u o ona fua i vai Samoa ma u'u o le tino. O lona ogala'au e ta ai va'a ma tanoa ma fa'alaupapa fau fale. E sosolo lautele ona a'a fa'apei o ona lālā, ma fesoasoani e tāofi le oneone o matāfaga. O se la'au malosi e tali āfā, matagi malolosi, pisisami, lamala ma lologa.

This tree provides heavy shade. Leaves and nut oil are used in traditional Samoan medicine. Wood is used for making canoes, bowls, and houses. The roots of this tree spread at least as far as the canopy, helping to stabilize sandbanks. This tree withstands cyclones, wind, salt spray, drought, and occasional flooding.