

**THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PLUS TREES OF
Sonneratia apetala Buch-Ham SPECIES IN THE NORTH AND
NORTH CENTRAL COAST, VIETNAM**

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Summary

This study was conducted to determine the characteristics of the plus trees of *Sonneratia apetala* Buch-Ham species in the North and North Central Coast by surveying and evaluating criteria in sample plot with *Sonneratia apetala* individuals ≥ 6 years. Survey results showed that 2 stands (Dai Ao and Dong Bao) were planted with *Sonneratia apetala* ≥ 6 years old (ensuring seed supply) with the number of trees per each stand was large enough in Dong Hoang commune, Tien Hai district, Thai Binh province. In which, in Dong Bao 34 plus trees were selected, in Dai Ao 12 plus trees were selected that meet the criteria of choosing plus trees.

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