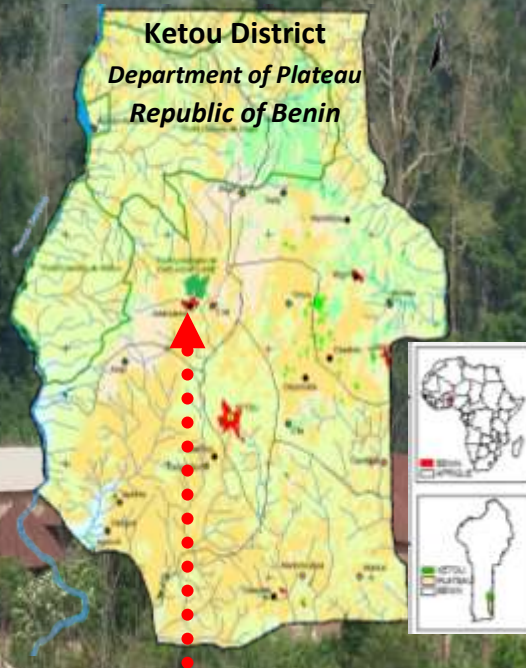


The Ewè Forest...



The forest is located in the Ketou District, at 140 kilometers far from the city of Porto-Novo (the capital of the BR).

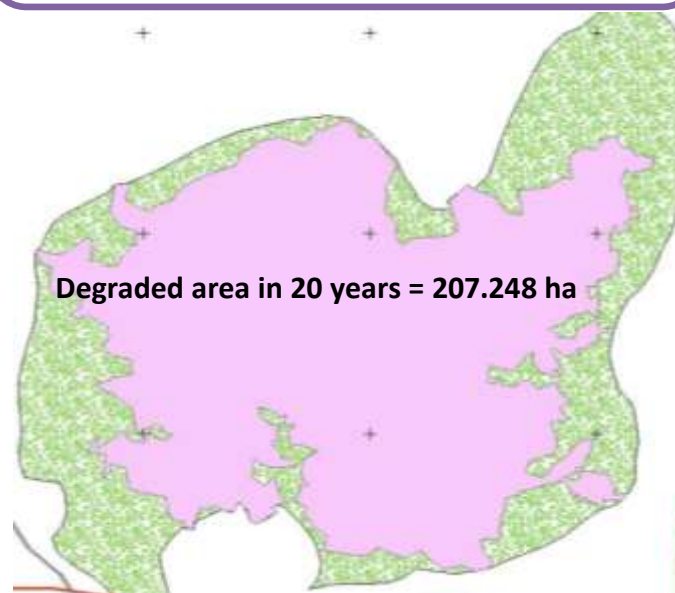


The remnant forest of Ewè hosts a quarter of threatened plants species of Benin Republic

The remnant forest is shared by two villages and is still entirely managed by the local communities.



The village centers are gradually falling into ruin. Villages are extending very rapidly from the periphery to natural and sensitive areas. From 1987 to 2007, the remnant forest area decreased from 572 hectares to 364 hectares (ha).



There are 9,000 people. 69% of the population is younger than the age of 44.

Our goal...

Ensuring the long term restoration, conservation and sustainable management of the Ewe Forest, while also awaring local communities to the importance of nature and biodiversity

Activities in course in 2014 :

- 1.. Diagnostic of the forest
- 2.. Seed collection
- 3.. Vegetative Propagation
- 4.. Planting Campaign

Specific actions provided for 2017:

- 1.. Rehabilitate the remnant forest of EWE in the southeast of Benin Republic (BR).
- 2.. Construct a borehole station between villages to bringing immediately, a sustainably source of year-round water.
- 3.. Restore degraded areas and restore the historic landscape of the villages.
- 4.. Develop a trail of 8 kilometers and 0.4 hectares of garden for agrotourism.

The engagement and participation of local communities is the key to ensure the conservation and long term recovery of the Ewè forest!

Our priorities...



Tutoring, environmental education



Drilling a well, planting activities



Vegetable crops, agritourism



Biodiversity inventory



Restoration of traditional knowledges

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1. Empower local communities in the implementation of urgent actions in favor of sustainable conservation of tropical biodiversity.
2. Stimulate the holders of traditional ecological knowledge to restoration and transmission of endogenous practices to future generations.

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Acting on BENIN!



Conservation
of

Remnant forest of Ewè

Conservation de *Bequaertiodendron oblancheolatum* par les populations d'EWE (KETOU)



N. Scientifique:
B. oblancheolatum ou
Englyophytum oblancheolatum.
N. local: Azoo souman



Fruit de *B. oblancheolatum*. (en haut)
Gnonhouin-gnonhouin nom local



Jeune pousse de *B. oblancheolatum*.
Régénération par rejet de collet



Régénération
par semi



Méthodologie



Forêt refuge d'Ewè



Échantillonnage et relevé floristique



Techniques de multiplication végétative

Excavation des racines



Choix du diamètre et prélèvement des boutures de segments de racinaire (clones)



Induction de drageons

Production de marcottes

Usages

- Feuilles sont utilisées pour emballer le tabac
- Les fruits sont utilisés pour le traitement de l'anémie et peuvent servir à la fabrication du vin
- Les racines sont utilisées pour accélérer la marche chez les enfants et pour le traitement des convulsions.

Sources: Enquêtes ethnobotaniques auprès des populations d'Ewé 2014

Pépinière et plantation

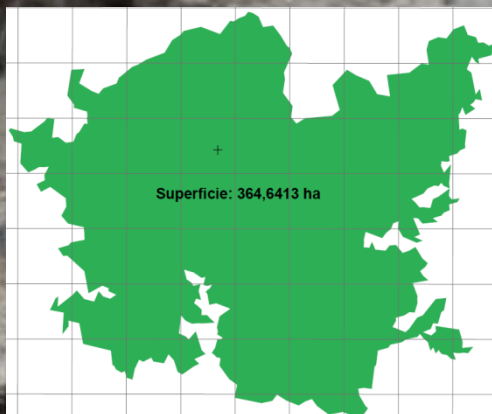
1. Mise en place de pépinière de clones
2. Campagne de plantation par les populations d'Ewe



La forêt "refuge" d'Ewè au Bénin: une richesse de biodiversité communautaire et un patrimoine national

Une diversité végétale exceptionnelle....

Un habitat naturel pour la faune ...



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Un patrimoine culturel riche d'histoires et de rites...



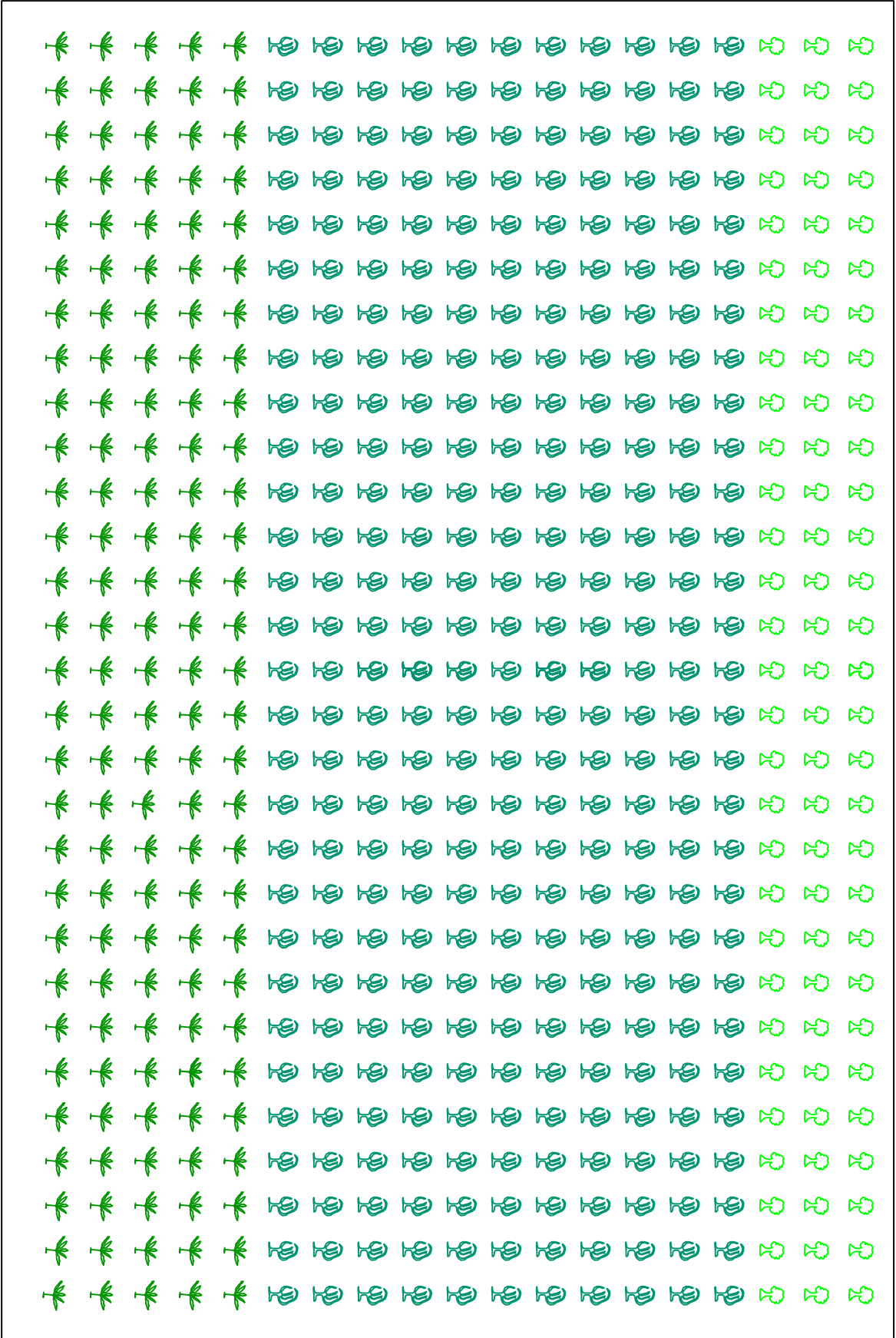
Ewe-Adakplame conservation field of natural resources

Catholic cemetery

<--- Toward ADAKPLAME

Toward TOHOME (EWE) --->

<----- 29 vertical lines ----->



40 meters

40 meters

87 Plants species of Bequaertiodendro Oblanceolatum

319 Plants species of Triplochiton Scleroxylon

145 Plants species of Mansonia Altissima

Area (surface) : 24 a 00 ca

Equidistance between two plants : 2 meters

Legend:

- Bequaertiodendro Oblanceolatum (Azoo Soumo ou Gnonhoui gnonhoui)
- Triplochiton Scleroxylon (Houè)
- Mansonia Altissima (Adjakpo)

60 meters

Football area of the primary school of EWE

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