

Appendix 1. Thatch palm questionnaires used in the interviews with local villagers.

Aim	Method	Question	Coding format
Ethnographic description of the Tsimane' management regime of <i>G. deversa</i>	Open-ended interviews (in the thatch palm groves)	Is it possible to harvest any palm thatch that you find in the forest? Why/Why not?	Text
		Does each family in your community have a palm thatch grove where they usually harvest thatch palm? How do you decide that a thatch palm grove belongs to a particular family?	
		Do you leave some thatch palm groves aside so that they can grow?	
		In your thatch palm grove, do you harvest as much thatch palm as you want? Are there any restrictions as to how much thatch palm you can harvest? Which are these restrictions?	
		In the palm thatch grove where you usually harvest thatch palm, do people from other households harvest?	
		Do people from other communities come and harvest palm thatch in your community? Is that OK with you?	
		Do you go to other communities to harvest palm thatch?	
Measurement of local perceptions of <i>G. deversa</i> change and availability	Structured interviews	Did you ever have some conflict/problem with someone with regard to palm thatch harvesting?	Minutes
		How much time do you have to walk to reach the closest thatch palm grove in your community nowadays?	Minutes
	Focus group discussions	When you were a kid, how much did you use to walk to reach the closest thatch palm grove in your community?	Text
		Who is the owner of the thatch palm groves in the village?	
		Are there currently any restrictions for the local peoples to harvest thatch palm?	
		Are you allowed to sell/trade thatch palm?	
		How do you trade it? Do you change it to the merchant for goods or do you sell it directly in town?	
		For outsiders, are there currently any restrictions for the harvesting of thatch palm?	
		If any outsider wants to come and harvest thatch palm, is it possible?	
		Do they have to ask any permission? To whom?	
Are there currently any outsiders harvesting thatch palm in your village? How many?			
Measurement of the behavior regarding <i>G. deversa</i> harvesting and management	Scan observations	Do you think that the thatch palm traders respect the Tsimane' traditional way of harvesting?	Nr of panes Hours 1 = no / 0 = yes 1 = yes / 0 = no 1 = yes / 0 = no Nr of meetings attended (0-3)
		When did the first thatch palm traders arrive to this area?	
	Compared to when you were a kid, do you think that nowadays thatch palm within the limits of your community is more/same/less abundant than before? Why?		
	Semi-structured interviews	How much thatch palm did you bring from the forest in the previous two days?	
	How many hours did you spend harvesting thatch palm in the previous two days?		