

Flora of the Nilgiris

Family : **Flora of Nilgiri Biosphere (Northern Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve)**  
**Rubiaceae**

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Opposite, Decussate

**Names:***Irula* : Mudhi*Tamil* : Nuna*Malayalam* : Manjanathi**Flower:**

In terminal or axillary heads, white.  
 Flowering from March-June.

**Fruit :**

A syncarpium. Seeds oblong or obovoid.  
 Fruits persistent.

**Leaf Type**

Simple

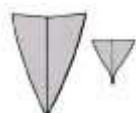
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**Leaf Shape**

Elliptic, Ovate

**Leaf Apex**

Acuminate

**Leaf Base**

Cuneate

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### Leaf Margin



Entire



**Habit :** A small deciduous tree.

**Habitat and Distribution :** Common in plains to the coast up to 900m. India, Sri Lanka, Malay archipelago.

**Indigenous Information :** The wood is light and strong, therefore preferred for making parts of the plough.

**Other relevant information :** Wood yellow and good for agricultural implements.



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