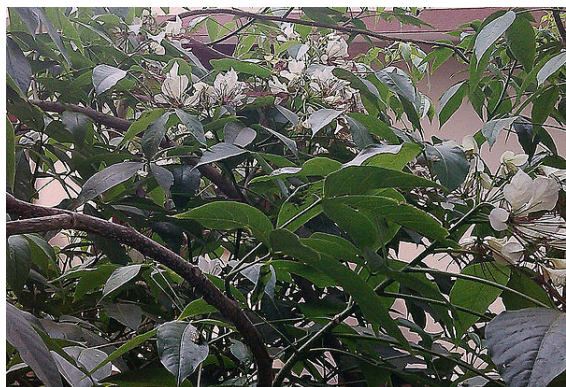


# Crateva religiosa



*Flower of Crateva religiosa in Nepal*

The flowering tree *Crateva religiosa* (syn *Crataeva religiosa*, *Crateva adansonii*) is called the **sacred garlic pear** and **temple plant**, and many other names in a variety of dialects, including *Balai Lamok*, *abiyuch*, *barna*, *varuna*, and *bidasi*. The tree is sometimes called the spider tree because the showy flowers bear long, spidery stamens. It is native to Japan, Australia, much of Southeast Asia and several South Pacific islands. It is grown elsewhere for fruit, especially in parts of the African continent.

The fruit of the tree is edible. The nectar-filled flowers are attractive to a multitude of insects and birds. The pierid butterfly (*Hebomoia glaucippe*) is a frequent visitor to this plant.

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