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Names**Erythrina senegalensis DC. [family LEGUMINOSAE-PAPILIONOIDEAE]****Common names**

English coral tree; coral flower. French arbre corail; érythrine (Bailleul); érythrine du Sénégal. **SENEGAL: BADYARA** matiéréré (JB) **BALANTA** figéra (Aub.; JB) figéru (K&A) figira (K&A) figra (K&A) msis (JB) **BANYUN** kidolin (K&A) si foli (Aub.; JB) **BASARI** a-térif (K&A) a-tiéril (JB) a-tiérir (JB) a-tiéris (JB; K&A) **BEDIK** gi-tyelèr (FG&G) C

Uses

(leaf, bark, root) Medicines: generally healing (bark, root) Medicines: pain-killers (bark) Medicines: eye treatments (bark) Medicines: pulmonary troubles (bark, root) Medicines: stomach troubles (leaf, bark) Medicines: laxatives, etc. (bark, root) Medicines: diarrhoea, dysentery (bark) Medicines: liver, etc. (leaf, bark) Medicines: kidneys, diuretics (bark, root) Medicines: anus, haemorrhoids (leaf, bark, wood) Medicines: genital stimulants/depressants (bark) Medicines: menstrual cycle (bark, root) Medicines: pregnancy, antiabortifacients (bark, root) Medicines: abortifacients, ecbolics (leaf, bark, root) Medicines: venereal diseases (bark) Medicines: fabrifuges (root) Medicines: leprosy (root) Medicines: dropsy, swellings, oedema, gout (bark, root) Medicines: malnutrition, debility (root) Medicines: paralysis, epilepsy, convulsions, spasm (seed) Phytochemistry: miscellaneously poisonous or repellent (leaf, bark, seed) Phytochemistry: alkaloids Agri-horticulture: ornamental, cultivated or partially tended Agri-horticulture: hedges, markers (foliage) Agri-horticulture: fodder (bark) Agri-horticulture: veterinary medicine (foliage) Agri-horticulture: composting, manuring (wood, bark) Products: fibre (wood) Products: carpentry and related applications (wood, seed) Products: household, domestic and personal items (seed) Products: pastimes-carving, musical instruments, games, toys, etc. Social: religion, superstitions, magic

Products

french: Érythrineenglish: Coral treeenglish: Coral flowerportuguese: Pau-ossofrench: Arbre corailfrench: Érythrine du Sénégal

Description

A tree to 15 m high, usually much less, trunk with corky bark bearing recurved prickles arising from a woody base, of savanna country and present in all territories of the Region, and into E Cameroun. The tree bears conspicuous large red flowers in lax ter

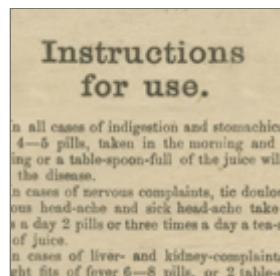
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