

Alstonia Scholaris, Dita Tree, Saptaparni - Plant



Alstonia scholaris, commonly known as the dita tree, is an evergreen that may grow up to 100 feet tall.

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Description

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Botanical name of this plant is Alstonia scholaris. Generic name came after botanist, Prof. C. Alston of Edinburgh. Species name scholaris refers to the fact that the timber of this tree has traditionally been used to make wooden slates for school children.

It has rough, grey bark and large leaves that grow in clusters of seven. The flowers are small and greenish-yellow in color. The fruits are thin pods that can grow up to 20 inches long. The sap of the tree is sticky and bitter.

Common name	Flower colours	Bloom time	Height	Difficulty
Dita tree, devil tree.	The fragrant flowers are greenish white	Late autumn to Early winter	100 feet.	Easy

Planting and care

It has been extensively planted in India. Also seems to grow well in hot dry regions.

Sunlight	Soil	Water	Temperature	Fertilizer
Full sun.	Fertile, moist, but well-drained soil.	Keep the soil moist but not logged.	Annual temperature in the range 12 to 32 degrees C.	-

Caring for Alstonia Scholaris

- It grows better under moist, warm climate but cannot stand water logging.
- Recommended for planting in parks, gardens and inside lawns. Suitable for avenue planting.

Typical uses of Alstonia Scholaris

Special features: In Ayurveda it is used as a bitter and as an astringent herb for treating skin disorders, malarial fever, urticaria, chronic dysentery, diarrhea, in snake bite and for upper purification process of Panchakarma .

Culinary use: The latex provides a good quality chewing gum. It is usually used in making packing boxes, blackboards etc.

Medicinal use:

It is used to treat bowel complaints, abdominal pains, fevers and irregular menstruation, and has proved a valuable remedy for chronic diarrhea and the advanced stages of dysentery.

A decoction is applied as a wash for skin diseases, and as a gargle.

Note: The following information is general guidelines. Be sure to ask your healthcare provider for guidelines.

References

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Reviews

Wednesday, 30 August 2017

It s lovely. The plant was carefully packed and seems to be genuine plant. I m happy with my purchase.

Rasika Srivastava

Thursday, 01 June 2017

2 stars because the leaves were damaged and had cut marks.

Charusheela

Tuesday, 23 May 2017

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Roopam Shahi

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