

Garcinia indica, Kokum - Plant



Garcinia indica, Kokum is grown throughout in India for different benefits.

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Description

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Description for Garcinia indica, Kokum

Plant height: 3 - 6 inches

Plant spread:

It spreads up to 6 m. A plant is with deep-green glossy leaves, 5.5 to 8 cm long and 2.5 to 3 cm broad. The flowers are fleshy, dark pink, solitary or in spreading cluster. The fruit is brownish or brownish-gray, marbled with yellow. A Kokum tree can bear hundreds of fruits during summer. Generally, a mature plant yield 45 to 60 kg of fruits per tree can be expected per year.

Common name(s): Goa butter tree, Kokum butter tree, Mangosteen, Kokum, Aagal

Flower colours: Light Pink

Bloom time: November to February

Max reachable height: Up to 8 m

Difficulty to grow: Moderate to grow.

Planting and care

Naturally, *Garcinia indica* is found in forest lands, riversides and wastelands. It generally requires hot humid climatic conditions. It thrives best in well-deep soils with good moisture holding capacity. Kokum planting can be carried out at the onset of monsoon. The distance of 5 m to 6 m between plants and rows is ideal.

Sunlight: Partial shade, full sun

Soil: Lateritic, sandy, clay and loamy soils.

Water: Moderate

Temperature: 20 degrees C to 36 degrees C

Fertilizer: Use any organic fertilizer.

Caring for *Garcinia indica*

- Irrigation should be done immediately after planting.
- Reduce watering in the rainy season.
- Mulching can be done by paddy straw or coconut leaves.
- In the first year of planting, each plant should be given with farm-yard manure.

Harvesting

The fruits are plucked when they are ripe. Grafts start bearing fruits from 4 to 5 years of planting or plants grown through seedlings will become ready for harvesting in 7 to 8 years of planting.

Typical uses of *Garcinia indica*

Special features: It is indigenous to the Western Ghats region of India, along with the western coast.

Culinary use: The fruits are used to make squash and in other cuisines. It is added during the preparation of solkadhi, along with coconut milk.

Ornamental use: The tree is ornamental, with a dense canopy of leaves. It is good for Hedges and Borders.

Medicinal use: It has many many medicinal properties and used in home remedies.

Note: Please consult your health expert.

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