

## Khirni - Plant



Khirni (*Manilkara hexandra*) is a tree species in the tribe Sapoteae, in the Sapotaceae family

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Khirni Plant

## Description for Khirni

**Plant height:** 5 - 9 inches

**Plant spread:** 4 - 6 inches

Manilkara hexandra is a slow-growing but fairly large evergreen species. Ceylon Iron Wood is a tree or a shrub, 3-12 m tall, with gray bark and smooth branchlets.

Alternately arranged leaves are often closely clustered towards the end of branchlets, with conspicuous scars. Leaf-stalks are 0.8-2 cm. The leaf blade is obovate to obovate-elliptic, both surfaces smooth, base broadly wedge-shaped to obtuse. Flowers arise in fascicles in leaf axils. Berry is obovoid-oblong to ellipsoid

**Common name(s):** Ceylon Iron Wood, milk tree, wedge-leaved ape flower, Khirni, Palu, Rayan

**Flower colours:** White or light yellow

**Bloom time:** August-December

**Max reachable height:** 3-12 meter

**Difficulty to grow::** Easy to grow

## Planting and care

It grows in tropical and temperate forests.

**Sunlight:** Full Sun to Partial Shade

**Soil:** Well-drained soil

**Water:** Medium

**Temperature:** 24 degrees C to 33 degrees C

**Fertilizer:** Apply any organic fertilizer

## Caring for Khirni

- Start with pruning shears for smaller growth.
- Use loppers, which look like giant, long-handle shears, for growth that is more than half an inch thick.
- A small pruning saw is handy, as it cuts on both the push and the pull.

## Typical uses of Khirni

**Special features:** A handsome Indian evergreen tree often planted as an ornamental for its fragrant white flowers that yield a perfume; source of very heavy hardwood used for railroad ties. In olden time, the very hard timber was used for making lances.

**Culinary use:** Leaves

**Ornamental use:** The plant is used for an ornamental purpose.

**Medicinal use:** The leaves are applied to the head in the form of a poultice for severe colds. Oil from the seeds is used for sores, scabies, wounds, and rheumatism. The root of this herb is often used as an antidote for snake poison. The dried flowers are used for bleeding hemorrhoids and dysentery with mucus. Fresh flowers are also prescribed for excessive thirst, excessive perspiration, cough, and for indigestion.

## References

- <http://www.theplantist.org/tpl/record/kew-120170>
- <http://www.flowersofindia.net/catalog/slides/Ceylon%20Iron%20Wood.html>

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