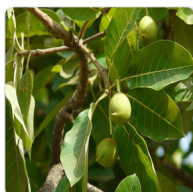


Madhuca Indica, Moh - Plant



Bassia latifolia, Illipe latifolia, Madhuca indica, Madhuca

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Description Madhuca longifolia is an Indian tropical tree found largely in the central and north Indian plains and forests. It is commonly known as mahua, mahwa or Iluppai.

Common name: Bassia latifolia, Illipe latifolia, Madhuca indica, Madhuca

Color: White

Bloom time: Seasonal bloomer

Height: 6.00 to 15.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

Mahua is a tropical deciduous fast-growing tree that grows to 20 meters in height and possesses evergreen or semi-evergreen foliage. It is cultivated in warm and humid regions for its oleaginous seeds, flowers and wood. The tree grows on a wide variety of soils but thrives best on sandy soil. The species is drought-resistant, strong light demander and readily suppressed under shade. It is not frost-hardy. It also grows on shallow, bouldery, clayey and calcareous soils.

Sunlight: Full sun to part shade

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 2-46 deg C

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- The fat is used for the care of the skin, to manufacture soap or detergents, and as a vegetable butter.
- It can also be used as a fuel oil.
- A full grown tree can produce up to 90 kg of flowers in a year.
- The fruit contains 51% valuable oil known as mohua oil or butter of commerce, that is used for cooking, illumination, soap and candle making.

Special Feature:

Interesting house plant, the leaflets of which can be snipped for cooking.

Use

Ornamental use:

- The plant is used for ornamental purpose.
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Note:

No serious insect or disease problems. Watch for mealy bugs on indoor plants. Root rot may occur if soils are kept too damp.

Reference:

<http://www.flowersofindia.net/> <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org>