Syzygium jambos (Linn.) Alston

Synonyms: Jambosa vulgaris, Eugenia jambos Linn.

Family : Myrtaceae

Parts Used: Fruit, Leaf, Bark

Vernacular Names

English : Rose apple
Malayalam : Chamba
Hindi : Gulab jamun
Sanskrit : Campeyah
Kannada : Pannerale
Tamil : Champai.



Distribution and habitat: Throughout India.

Botany: A much branched medium sized tree. Wood brown and soft.

- *Leaves*: Simple, opposite, oblong lanceolate, tapering at both ends.
- *Flowers:* Greenish white, 5-7.6 cm across, in terminal corymbose cymes.
- *Fruit:* Yellowish or pinkish, globose, 3.8-5 cm diameter, edible, insipid though sweet scented.
- **Seeds**: 1-2, grey in large cavity of the succulent pericarp.

Chemical constituents: α-pinene, ocimene

Properties and uses: Astringent, diuretic bitter, sweet, haemostatic, depurative, vulnerary, treatment of Liver

complaints, sore eyes

Propagation: Seed, air layering, grafting

