Feronia limonia (L.) Swingle (Elephant apple; Hindi-Kaithbel) is a deciduous thorny tree with aromatic leaves and small white flowers. Fruits are large, globose of the size of tennis balls with a hard shell. The pulp of ripe fruit is sweet and edible. The gum exudate from the tree is used in dying and coloring. The wood is made into agricultural implements and shoe-patterns.

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