

## Flowering Trees



*Syzygium cumini* (L.) Skeels Syn. *Eugenia jambolana* (Hindi-Jamun) of Myrtaceae that grows wild and also cultivated, is an elegant tall tree with lush green leathery leaves and white flowers in clusters. The flowers bear numerous stamens. The edible fruits are globose to oblong often single-seeded berries, which are deep-purple to black when ripe. The fruits are eaten fresh or used in vinegar making. Fruits, seeds and the extract of the bark are given as remedy against diabetes, dyspepsia, diarrhoea and dysentery. Wood is resistant to water and is used for sleepers in buildings, for water curbs, agricultural implements and carts.