

## Flowering Trees



*Mangifera indica* L. (the mango plant) of Anacardiaceae is a large spreading evergreen tree with simple leaves and small reddish white or yellowish green flowers borne on much-branched inflorescences. More than 500 varieties of mango are cultivated in India for their large, sweet, edible fruits which are of high economic value.

All parts of the plant are used to cure a variety of ailments. Besides, the mango leaves are used in Hindu religious functions and rituals. The wood is a source of timber.