



Flowering Trees

Holoptelea integrifolia (Roxb.) Planch. (Jungle Cork Tree; Hindi: Papri) of Ulmaceae is a large densely foliaceous deciduous tree. Leaves are simple, elliptic and indistinguishably toothed. Flowers are small, purplish-green and arranged in fascicles at the scars of the old shoots. Both bisexual and male flowers appear mixed on the same inflorescence. Style-arms are directly borne on the ovary and are stigmatose. Fruits are winged enclosing a flat seed. Twigs and leaves give an offensive odour on crushing. Flowering is profuse when the tree is leafless. Wood is used for carving, carts and buildings. Seeds are edible and yield an oil.