



## Flowering Trees

*Bauhinia alba* Hort. of Caesalpiniaceae is a small semi-deciduous tropical tree with often multiple stems and handsome foliage. Leaves are 8–10 cm long, dull green, the two thin leathery halves of the lamina fusing or the cleft between them extending beyond the middle. Flowers are gorgeous, axillary with dark purple stamens. The pod is more or less flat.

*B. alba* is often named as *B. variegata* var. *alba* by botanists.