Flowering Trees

Neolissea zeylanica (Nees & T. Nees) Merr. (= Litsea zeylanica Nees & T. Nees) of the family Lauraceae is an evergreen tree of semi-evergreen forests. Bark is light brown and blaze is pale yellow. Leaves are alternate; petiole 2 cm long; leaf blade elliptic-oblong, attenuate at base, acute at apex, pale green beneath. Flowers are in clusters in the leaf axils. Perianth lobes 4, silky-hairy on the outer face; filaments hairy. Fruit is a berry, oblong and seated on the perianth cup. Flowering and fruiting occurs between January and April. The species is distributed from India into Malesia.