

BOTANICAL NAME-Phyllanthus emblica ENGLISH NAME- India Gooseberry, malacca tree, HINDI NAME – Amla FAMILY - Euphorbiaceae

Description :

- Amla is the medium size deciduous plant.
- Sark thin, grey, flaking off to expose yellow brown under bark.
- Leaves only 8-12 mm long, narrow, tiny point at apex.
- Flowers also small, with 6 pink or greenish petal- like flower-cup segments but no petals; in clusters or naked twigs below the leaves; male and female flowers separate.
- Fruit nearly round, 2-4 cm in diameter; smooth, yellow-green with thin, translucent skin;
 6-8 faint lines from base to apex; flesh crisp, extremely sour.

USES:

- The fruit is the richest source of Vitamin C and is a diuretic, aperient, Laxative and hair dye.
- It cures insomnia and is healthy for hair.
- It is used as the cardio protective, useful in hemorrhage, menorrhagia, leucorrhoea and discharge of blood from uterus.
- Amla power and oil are used traditionally in Ayurvedic applications for the treatment of scalp.
- Amla power improves immunity and gives physical strength. It improves complexion and removes wrinkles.
- Amla is also used to treat constipation and is used as a cooling agent to reduce the effects of sun strokes and sun burns.