



## Flowering Trees

*Chukrasia tabularis* A.Juss. of the family Meliaceae is a large canopy tree distributed in the evergreen and moist-deciduous forests of the Indo-Malayan biogeographic region.

Bark is greyish-brown, lenticled and rough with irregular flakes. Leaves are pinnately compound with 5–8 pairs of leaflets, alternate; leaflets ovate-acute with an oblique base; nerves are prominent on both surfaces. Flowers are small, yellowish-white, fragrant, and occur in many-flowered panicles. Fruit is an ovoid capsule, 2-valved and with winged seeds.

The plant parts are widely used in Ayurveda. Wood is valuable and highly prized.