

Bauhinia purpurea

Purple Orchid Tree

Role In Nature

The Trees support biodiversity by providing food and habitat for pollinators like bees and butterflies, attracted by their vibrant flowers. Their rapid growth and dense foliage reduce soil erosion and improve soil fertility. As ornamental trees, they enhance urban greening by offering shade and aesthetic value in gardens and public spaces.

Cultural Significance

The tree is associated with the festival of Holi, where its flowers are used in traditional celebrations. The tree is known for its ornamental beauty symbolizing grace and elegance, In Southeast Asian cultures, it represents resilience and beauty, often featured in local art and folklore.

Medicinal Benefits

The Purple Orchid tree is valued in traditional medicine for treating diarrhea, dysentery, inflammation, and respiratory and digestive issues. It has antidiabetic and antioxidant properties, and its root is believed to remedy snake bites.





Did You Know?

Purple Orchid tree's bi-lobed leaves resemble a butterfly or camel's hoof, adding to its unique appearance. It is admired for its striking orchid-like flowers that attract butterflies and bees.