

Engelhardtia spicata

Botanical Name: *Engelhardtia spicata*

Common Name: Mauwa, Heijuga-manbi

Morphological Characters

Mauwa is a tree identified by fissured bark, compound leaves with leaflets opposite, and winged nut. It is a deciduous tree up to 20 m tall. Bole is straight. Bark is grey or grey-brown, deeply fissured. Leaves are compound, alternate and spiral, impar- or pari-pinnate; leaflets are narrowly ovate or elliptic, with yellow glandular dots, margin entire. Primary vein is single. Flowers are arranged in a many-flowered inflorescence, in leaf axils, on small leafless twigs, unisexual, on the same tree, on stalks up to 3 mm long. Fruit is up to 3.5 cm long, 1-seeded, 3-winged nutlet, not splitting open.



Growing season and Type

- 1) Flowering: March-April.
- 2) The bark and the leaves are rich in tannin, They are used as a fish intoxicant
- 3) A fast-growing tree.



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- 1) Flower of *Engelhardtia spicata*
- 2) Leaf of *Engelhardtia spicata*
- 3) Tree of *Engelhardtia spicata*

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