## Magnolia champaca

Botanical Name: *Magnolia champaca* Common Name: Champa

## **Morphological Characters:**

Champa is very well known flower native to the Himalayas, and popular for its fragrant flowers. It is a tree up to 50 m or taller, up to 1.9 m d.b.h. Flowers are fragrant, tepals 15-20, yellow, inverted-lanceshaped, 2-4 x 0.4-0.5 cm. staminal connective is protruding and forming a long tip. Buds, young twigs, young petioles, and young leaf blades are pale yellow velvet-hairy. Twigs are ascending and forming a narrow umbelliform crown. Stipular scar 0.3-1 x as long as petiole. Leaf-stalks are 2-4 cm, leaves elliptic or ovate, 10-20 x 4.5-10 cm, slightly puberulous below, base broadly wedge-shaped or rounded, tip long-pointed tp falling off. Fruit is 7-15 cm; mature carpels obovoid-ellipsoid, 1-1.5 cm, tuberculate. Seeds 2-4 per carpel, rugose.



## **Growing season and Type**

- 1. It has strongly fragrant flowers in varying shades of cream to yellow-orange, during June to September. The obovoid-ellipsoid carpels produce 2–4 seeds during September to October.
- 2. The tree has flowers and green leaves all year round, beautifying its surroundings.
- 3. Flowering: June-July.





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- 1. Flower of Magnolia champaca
- 2. Leaf of Magnolia champaca
- 3. Magnolia champaca tree

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