

Senna auriculata

Botanical Name: *Senna auriculata*

Common Name: Tarwar

Morphological Characters:

Senna auriculata is a branched shrub, growing upto 1-1.5 m high. It has a smooth reddish brown bark. It has many ascending branches and 8-10 cm long pinnate leaves. There are 8-12 pairs of leaflets, each 2-3 cm long. Bright yellow flowers appear in racemes at the end of branches. The flowers are 4-5 cm across. Upper three stamens are reduced to stamenoides. Fruit is a 7-12 cm long, flat brown pod.



Growing Season and Type:

1. *Senna auriculata* is suitable for landscaping roadways and home gardens. It tolerates drought and dry conditions, but not much cold. The flowers in racemes are also attractive.
2. It starts flowering and fruiting at the age of 2-3 years. Once established, it flowers precociously and abundantly throughout the year.
3. It prefers properly drained soil.



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1) Flower image of *Senna auriculata*



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2) Fruit image of *Senna auriculata*



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3) Leaf image of *Senna auriculata*

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