



***Pyrus communis* L.**

Family: Rosaceae

Common names: European pear, Nakh, Pear



Description:

Pyrus Communis is a tree with broad pyramidal crown, distributed in temperate region of the Europe and West Asia. Leaves are orbicular- ovate to elliptic. Flowers are in few flowered corymb and are white. Fruits are variable, turbinate and sub globose.

Utilization:

Pears are consumed fresh. It is also canned as juice. The juice can also be used in jellies and jams, usually in combination with other fruits, including berries. Pear wood is good for kitchen spoons, scoops and stirrers, as it does not contaminate food with colour, flavour or smell. The wood is fairly tough, and used for carving, umbrella handles, measuring instruments such as set squares and T-squares, violin and guitar finger boards and piano keys(Lincoln, 1986).

Part used	Disease
Fruits	Antimicrobial activity

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