



***Pyrus pashia* L.**

**Family:** Rosaceae

**Common names:** Wild himalayan pear, Kainth, Mehal



**Description:**

*Pyrus pashia* is a small or medium sized deciduous tree distributed in the temperate Himalayas and in Assam at an altitude of 600- 2,500 m. Leaves are ovate and finely toothed. Flowers are 2 to 5 cm in diameter and are of white colour that are slightly tinged with pink. Fruits are small, 2-4 cm in diameter, globose, dark yellow brown covered with raised white spots.

**Utilization:**

It is favoured as a root stock for the common pear and also for apple. Fruit is edible. Leaves and twigs are used as fodder. The wood is used for walking sticks, combs, tobacco pipes, and as a fuel.

Part	Uses
Flower	Antioxidant activity
Leaves	Gastric and cardiovascular ailment
Fruit Juice	Dysentery, leishmaniasis, eye problems
Bark	Typhoid fever, peptic and gastric ulcer

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