



***Pyrus serotina* Rehd.**

Family: Rosaceae

Common names: Wild pear, bada kainth, shiara, zarenth



Description:

Pyrus Serotina is found throughout the mid-himalayan region. It is a tall thorny and deciduous tree goes up to 8 -10 m high. Its bark is rough and dark brown to black in colour. Leaves are stipulate, alternate, serrate, acuminate, ovate, petiolate with reticulate venation. Fruit is called as pome with a stalk and rusty white spots on the outer surface. Seeds are dark brown and contain 7 seeds per fruit.

Utilization:

The fruits are eaten and are juicy. It can be used to make jam. Shiara is also used as a rootstock for pears.