

***Jacaranda mimosifolia* D.Don**

Family: Bignoniaceae

Common names: Jacaranda, Neeli gulmohar

Part used: Wood



Fig. *Jacaranda mimosifolia*

Description:

Jacaranda mimosifolia is a large tree native to South America. It is a deciduous or evergreen tree grows up to 5-15 m in height. Its bark is thin, smooth and grey-brown in colour. Leaves are pinnately compound. Flowers are lavender-blue in colour, tubular and 2.5 cm long. Flowers appear in dense terminal clusters and frequently cover the entire tree. Fruit is a capsule and contains numerous winged seeds.

Utilization:

It has been widely planted as an ornamental tree because of its beautiful and long-lasting blue flowers. Wood is used for turnery and bowl carving. Fallen flowers give a visual sight on a lawn or pavement.