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BOTANICAL NAME

Annona squamosa L.

COMMON NAME

Sharifa, Custard Apple, Sugar Apple

FAMILY

Annonaceae



DISTRIBUTION

India, Brazil, Bangladesh and United States

FUN FACT

Sugar apple seeds are venomous and are dried up to be used as insecticides.

COMMON USES

1. The leaves of this tree help to treat dysentery and urinary tract infections.
2. The leaves are crumpled and applied to cuts.
3. Leaves and their extracts are used for treating digestive issues and rheumatic pains.

However, medical supervision is a must before using this tree for medical purposes.

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