

# BITTERLEAF TREE

*Gymnanthemum extensum*

Asteraceae

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### Description

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It is an up to 8 m shrub or small tree found naturally growing at 1,200 m (3,900 ft) to 2,100 m (6,900 ft) above sea level in open forests or thickets in slopes, valleys and by the roadside. It has been cultivated in Thailand as a garden tree for the medicinal properties of its leaves and the fragrance of its flowers.

This species is accepted, and its native range is E. Himalaya to China (Yunnan, Guizhou).

Synonyms:

- *Cacalia extensa* Kuntze
- *Conyza extensa* Wall.
- *Eupatorium rufum* Spreng. ex DC.
- *Gymnanthemum cylindriceps* (C.B.Clarke) H.Rob.
- *Vernonia cylindriceps* C.B.Clarke
- *Vernonia extensa* DC.
- *Vernonia subarborea* Vaniot

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### Common Names

### References

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