

Indian Cherry

Common name: Indian Cherry, Clammy Cherry, Sebastian Plum, Bird Lime Tree

Botanical name: *Cordia dichotoma*

Family: Boraginaceae

Name in Tamil: *Naruvili, citam, Naruvali*



Field identification: Mid-sized deciduous tree with characteristic long, drooping branchlets. Bark pale brown, with shallow vertical fissures. Leaves alternate 7-12 cm, long broad oval, margins wavy near apex. Flowers small, white in clusters. Fruit pale cherry with sticky pulp turning dark.

Location on campus: Rehabilitation Institute, near 751 flats.

References:

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