

## Indian Cork Tree

**Common name:** Indian Cork Tree

**Botanical name:** *Millingtonia hortensis*

**Family:** Bignoniaceae

**Name in Tamil:** *Karkku, Kattumalli, Kirimalligai, Kudasam, Malaimalligai, Maramalligai, Sakkaram, Vachagam*



**Field identification:** Tall tree, evergreen tree with dark grey, corky bark. Leaves large, thrice compound, divided into leaflets. Flowers, white, fragrant, 2.5 cm across with 5-7.5 cm long tube, hanging in masses.

**Location on campus:** Scattered across campus. E.g. Small Bungalow, CHTC, 714, Edward Gault Drive

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