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## PLUMBAGO ROSEA



Source: Wikipedia

### OTHER NAMES

Tamil: Shivappu Chittramulam  
English: Rose-coloured Lead-wort  
Telugu: Yerra-chitramulam  
Malayalam: Chekkikutuveri  
Kannada: Kempu chitramula  
Marathi: Lal-chitarakak  
Hindi: Lal-chitarah ; Chitra  
Sanskrit: Raktachitraka ; Chitraka

### DESCRIPTION & USAGE

This plant is commonly cultivated in gardens throughout India.

#### Uses:

Rheumatism, paralytic affections, in enlarged glands, buboes etc.

#### How to Use:

Scraped root is introduced into the mouth of the womb to procure criminal abortion ; it will expel the foetus from the womb whether dead or alive. Fresh root bark is rubbed into a paste with water and a little rice-flour ; it is then spread on a piece of rag, applied to the surface and kept for about half an hour and then a rice-poultice is applied over the part ; in about 12 to 18 hours a large uniform blister will be found to have formed. In rheumatism the blistering paste should be removed after 15 to 20 minutes.

#### Parts Used:

Roots

#### Taste:

Pungency

#### Action:

Alterative, gastric stimulant, appetiser

