PROJECT ALPHA

MEDICINAL PLANT LIST (Naauontkomen)

| Species | Name | Growth form | Plant parts used | Uses |
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| Acacia karroo | Sweet Thorn | tree | gum | ulcers, oral thrush |
| Bauhinia galpinii | Pride of De Kaap | shrub | seeds, leaves, tubers | women's health, diarrhoea |
| Commelina spp. | Commelina | forb | roots | women's health |
| Croton gratissimus | Lavender Croton | tree | bark, leaves | annointing, bleeding gums |
| Cyphostemma spp. | Cyphostemma | succulent | tubers | pain relief, healing |
| Dicrostachys cinerea | Sickle Bush | tree | leaves, roots, bark | diarrhoea, snake bite, toothache, earache, pain, cough, pneumonia, nose bleeds, TB, head-colds, epilepsy |
| Helichrysum spp. | Everlasting | forb | whole plant | burned as ritual incense, sedative, insomnia |
| Indigofera spp. | Indigo | forb | roots | women's health, dye |
| Peltophorum africanum | Weeping Wattle | tree | roots | abdominal pain, nausea, venerial disease, sore throat, chest pain, blood purification |
| Sansevieria hyacinthoide | Bowstring Hemp | forb | rhizomes, leaves | earache, haemorrhoids, stomachache, ulcers, diarrhoea, parasites, toothache (fibres for weaving, rope making) |
| Sarcostemma viminale | Melktou | climber | whole plant | women's health |
| Solanum spp. | Poison Apple | forb | fruit | sedatives, toothache |
| Terminalia sericea | Silver Cluster Lea | tree | roots, bark | stomach disorders, diarrhoea, other complaints |
| Ximenia caffra | Sour Plum | tree | roots, bark, leaves, fruit | women's health, diarrhoea, bilharzia, rheumatism, fever, tonsilitis, eyewash, toothache, constipation, scabies |
| Ziziphus mucronata | Buffalo Thorn | tree | leaves, roots, bark | diarrhoea, dysentery, coughs, chest problems, wounds, boils, septic sores |