

Ethnomedical Information on Vassourinha (*Scoparia dulcis*)

Plant Part / Location	Documented Ethnic Use	Type Extract / Route	Used For	Ref #
Aerial Parts Indonesia	Used as an opium substitute.	Not stated	Human Adult	A06590
Aerial Parts Malaysia	Decoction is taken by women to bring on labor. Used as an expectorant.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult	A06590
Aerial Parts Bangladesh	Used to treat diarrhea, coughs and fever.	Infusion / Oral	Human Adult	K16617
Aerial Parts Vietnam	Used for detoxification, to treat fevers and coughs, for stomachache, and to induce labor.	Decoction / Oral	Human Adult	J14016
Entire Plant Brazil	Used for hypertension, diabetes, antipyretic & analgesic. Used for menstrual disorders. Used to treat gastric disorders and bronchitis. Used to treat skin wounds, and insect bites. Used to treat hemorrhoids. Used to treat diabetes. Used as an insecticide or vermifuge. Used for upper respiratory disorders and coughs. Used as a hypoglycemic, hypotensive, emmenagogue, and to treat hypertension.	Infusion / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral Infusion / Oral Infusion / External Infusion / Rectal Hot H2O Ext / Oral Not stated Decoction / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Female Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	K26071 AE1034 K26821 K26821 K26821 M22746 K18765 AE1033 AE1032
Entire Plant Bangladesh	Whole plant is used for excessive menstrual bleeding.	Plant / Oral	Human Female	K10069
Entire Plant China	Used to treat hypertension.	Decoction / Oral	Human Adult	K26821
Entire Plant Colombia	Used for snakebite.	Infusion / External	Human Adult	L15991
Entire Plant Ecuador	Used to treat swellings, aches and pains. Used as a contraceptive. Used as an abortifacient.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	AE1029 T15375 AE1029
Entire Plant Guyana	Used to induce abortion.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human (pregnant)	M01437

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Entire Plant India	Used for dysentery. Used to treat jaundice. Used for toothache, blennorrhagia, and stomach problems.	Decoction / Oral Plant / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	K23165 K23294 M18047
Entire Plant Ivory Coast	Used as an aphrodisiac and as a purgative. Enema is used to facilitate delivery of fetus.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral H2O Ext / Vaginal	Human Adult Human Adult	A01966 A04941
Entire Plant West Indies	Used for diabetes and diarrhea.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	T00701
Entire Plant Nicaragua	Used for bites, stings and burns. Used for childbirth, pregnancy and female problems. Used for infections, malaria, anemia, & venereal disease. Used for heart problems and "right sickness."	Decoction / External Decoction / Oral Decoction / Oral Decoction / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	L16047 L16047 L16047 M23149
Entire Plant Paraguay	Used for hepatitis. Used for stomach disease and hepatitis.	Infusion / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult	H11234 M18047
Entire Plant Peru	Used as a mucolytic and febrifuge. Used as an astringent. Used for upper respiratory problems and fever. Used for respiratory problems and menstrual disorders.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / External Tincture / Oral Decoction / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	T15323 T15323 AE1031 T15323
Entire Plant Senegal	Used as a cicatrizant.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	T12145
Entire Plant Surinam	Used for rashes. Used for bronchitis, coughs, diabetes, jaundice and as a febrifuge.	Infusion / External Infusion / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult	J12451 J12451
Entire Plant Taiwan	Used for hypertension. Used for liver disease.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult	M18047 T14999
Fresh Entire Plant Brazil	Used as an expectorant. Used as an emollient.	Infusion / Oral Plant / External	Human Adult Human Adult	T15975

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Fresh Entire Plant India	Used for fever. Used for headache.	Juice / Oral Leaves / External	Human Adult Human Adult	M23219
Fresh Entire Plant Nigeria	Used for an analgesic, an antidiabetic, expectorant, diuretic, and antipyretic.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	T06510
Leaf Brazil	Used for eye problems. Used for erysipelas and ulcers. Used for fevers and urinary tract disorders.	Juice / External Juice / External Infusion / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	AE1030 XX1001 XX1001
Leaf Costa Rica	Infusion used as an emmenagogue.	H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	A00115
Leaf Guinea	Used as a vermicide.	Leaves / External	Human Adult	K27039
Leaf Guyane	Used as an antiseptic and to treat fevers. Used as an antiemetic for infants. Used for migraine headaches.	Decoction / External Decoction / Oral Poultice / External	Human Adult Human Infant Human Adult	AE1030
Leaf India	Used as an antivenin.	Leaves / External	Human Adult	K25892
Leaf Mexico	Used to treat stomach pain.	Leaves / Oral	Human Adult	K27077
Leaf Nicaragua	Used for infection, malaria, burns, a tonic, anemia, venereal disease, liver, stomach & menstrual disorders. Used for insect bites and stings. Used for snake bite. Used for childbirth. Used for belly pain, cough, fever, headache, diarrhea, infection of the liver, and to "clean the blood."	Decoction / Oral Decoction / External Hot H2O Ext / Oral Leaves / Oral Infusion / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	K27070 K27070 M23149 K26492 K26492
Leaf Peru	Used for hemorrhoids. Used to treat infected wounds. Used as a mucolytic, and febrifuge. Used as an astringent. Used for diarrhea, fevers, kidney diseases, as an abortive, emetic and female contraceptive.	Infusion / External Infusion / External Hot H2O Ext / Oral Hot H2O Ext / External Infusion / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult Human Adult	L04137 L04137 T15323 T15323 L04137

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Leaf Trinidad	Used to treat diabetes.	Not stated / Oral	Human Adult	J19078
Leaf Juice India	Used for fever.	Leaf Juice / Oral	Human Adult	K23294
Leaf Juice Nepal	Used to treat headache.	Leaf Juice / External	Human Adult	K25347 K24886
Not Stated Thailand	Used for leprosy.	Not stated	Human Adult	W03804
Not Stated Thailand	Used for diabetes.	Not stated / Oral	Human Adult	J18701
Not Stated Brazil	Used to treat malaria.	Not stated / Oral	Human Adult	J14512
Root Central America	Used for profuse menses.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	W02290
Root Brazil	Used for malaria, as a general febrifuge, to treat jaundice, liver disorders, and as an abortifacient. Considered emollient and pectoral; used for bronchitis.	Infusion / Oral Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult Human Adult	L15570 XX1001
Root Honduras	Used for stomach pains and diarrhea. Used for skin infections.	Decoction / Oral Decoction / External	Human Adult Human Adult	K27819
Root Martinique Island	Used for profuse menses.	Hot H2O Ext / Oral	Human Adult	W02290
Root West Indies	Decoction used for dysmenorrhea.	Hot H2O Ext	Human Adult	T00701
Root India	Used for warts.	Decoction / External	Human Adult	K11800

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