Ethnomedical Information on Boldo (Peumus boldus)

Plant Part / Location	Documented Ethnic Use	Type Extract / Route	Used For	Ref #
Leaf Asia	Used as a tonic, digestive and carminative. Used for lack of gastric secretions, dyspepsia, liver affections and hangover due to excess alcohol intake.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1092
Leaf Bolivia	Used as a biliary regulant in hepatitis and for excess bile; as a genital antiseptic in urethritis, and as a carminative for flatulence.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	T07560
Leaf Brazil	Used as a tonic, digestive and carminative.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1079
Leaf Brazil	Used for cholecystitis, to eliminate biliary calculi, for gastric, liver and renal affections, a lack of appetite and for hepatic insufficiency.	Hot H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1081
Leaf Brazil	Used for symptoms of liver dysfunctions and diseases, hepatitis, liver congestion, constipation, gases and poor digestion. Acts as a tonic and combats weakness and dizziness.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1070
Leaf Brazil	Used as a tonic. Used to combat hepatitis, constipation, stomach pain, biliary lithiasis, rheumatism, dyspepsia, intestinal and stomach gas, gonorrhea, digestive difficulties, dizziness, liver congestion, gastritis and a lack of appetite. Considered to have a tranquilizing effect and used for insomnia.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1013
Leaf Brazil	Used for liver and stomach problems. Used as a sedative and anthelmintic. Used as a choleretic and cholagogue for chronic liver problems.	Infusion Oral ETOH Ext Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1088
Leaf Brazil	Used as a tonic, eupeptic, hepatic, cholagogue, choleretic, carminative, antirheumatic and stomachic. Used for hepatitis, liver colic and congestion, dyspepsia, flatulence, obstructions, gastric affections, lack of appetite, biliary calculi, insomnia and debilitation.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1072
Leaf Chile	Used for liver and bowel dysfunctions, for constipation and as a general tonic.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1070
Leaf Chile	Used as a carminative, cholagogue, choleretic, antidiarrheic, diuretic, eupeptic, digestive and hepatic. Used for flatulence, to stimulate the gallbladder and the secretion of bile, for inflammation and calculi of the gallbladder and a lack of appetite.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1076
Leaf Chile	Used as a diuretic, anthelmintic, and sedative. Used for cholesterol.	Hot H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	A01223

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Leaf Chile	Used against liver diseases, gallstones, inflammation of the gallbladder, biliary colic, infective cystitis, hypothyroidism and fluid retention. Considered a cholagogue, liver tonic, diuretic, urinary antiseptic, laxative, choleretic, anti-obesity, liver-protective, anti-inflammatory and choleretic.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1011
Leaf Chile	Used as a diuretic, stomachic, sedative and anthelmintic.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	AV1003
Leaf Chile	Used as a diuretic, antioxidant, choleretic, stomachic and cholagogue for hepatic illnesses and gallstones.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1060
Leaf Chile	Used as a hepatic tonic, diuretic and laxative. Used for dyspepsia, stomach and intestinal cramps.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1100
Leaf Chile	Used for running sores and head colds.	Roasted Leaf	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Leaf Chile	Used for dropsy and rheumatism.	Decoction External	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Leaf Chile	Used as a cholagogue, digestive, diuretic and hypnotic. Used for dyspepsia, lack of appetite, gastric disorders, gallstones and affections of the liver. Used as a digestive stimulant and to combat gastric atonia.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1002
Leaf sap Chile	Used for earaches.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Chile	Used for sores, head colds and cough.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Fruit Chile	Eaten as a food.	Fruit Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Fruit Chile	Eaten as a food.	Fruit Oral	Human Adult	AV1006
Plant Chile	Used as a vermifuge, for chronic digestive problems, to reduce excess gastric acidity and for gallstones.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1014
Plant Chile	Used as a tonic. Stimulates liver activity and bile flow; used for gallstones and liver or gallbladder pain.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	AV1007
Leaf England	Said to stimulate the production of bile and its secretion from the gallbladder, to enhance gastric secretions, to promote the excretion of uric acid and to have a weak hypnotic effect.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	AV1003
Leaf Europe	Used for gastrointestinal spasms. Considered a tonic and diuretic.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1060
Leaf Germany	Used for gonorrhea, liver and gall bladder complaints, loss of appetite and dyspepsia. Considered to increase gastric secretions and act as an antispasmodic and choleretic.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	AV1002

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Leaf Guatemala	Used for liver diseases.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	K26154
Leaf Italy	Used as a cholagogue, stomachic, diuretic, and choleretic.	H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	K04315
Leaf Mexico	Used for hepatic problems and for the stomach.	Hot H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	T13488
Not Stated Mexico	Used as a digestive and choleretic.	Not stated	Human Adult	AV1001
Not Stated Mexico	Used for rheumatism. Considered an anodyne.	Not stated	Human Adult	AV1005
Essential Oil South America	Used for digestive upsets, liver and bile problems, kidney and urinary tract illnesses.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1014
Leaf South America	Used as a diuretic in liver ailments like jaundice, stomach troubles, for urogenital inflammations, gonorrhea, dyspepsia, gout, hepatosis, rheumatism, syphilis and worms. Said to be anodyne, antiseptic, choleretic, hepatotonic, hypnotic, stimulant, tonic and vermifuge.	Hot H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Leaf South America	Used as a tonic, antiseptic, stimulant for hepatic disorders, genito-urinary inflammation and for gonorrhea.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1052
Leaf South America	Used as a diuretic, laxative and hepatic tonic; used for diseases of the liver and treatment of gallstones, for worms, urogenital inflammations, gonorrhea, syphilis, gout, rheumatism, head colds and earaches.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	AV1006
Leaf South America	Used for its analgesic, antiseptic, bitter, cholagogue, diuretic, stimulant and tonic properties. Used for gonorrhea.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1052 AV1008 AV1009
Leaf South America	Used for gallstones, urinary tract infections, intestinal parasites and rheumatism. It has been used as a substitute for quinine in the treatment of malaria.	Not stated	Human Adult	AV1010
Bark South America	Used for liver disease.	Not stated	Human Adult	AV1010
Plant South America	Used to treat liver, gallbladder and bowel dysfunctions. Promotes fat digestion, stimulates bile secretion, neutralizes acid and is good for digestion. Used for urogenital inflammations, gonorrhea, gout, hepatitis, rheumatism, syphilis and worms. Used as an antiseptic and diuretic for urinary infections and uric acid elimination.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1015
Plant South America	Nourishes the blood, enhances digestion, aids liver function, balances the pH and is a good general tonic. Used to treat liver and bowel dysfunctions and to encourage proper digestion and bile secretion.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1016

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Plant South America	Used as a general tonic.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1014
Leaf UK	Stimulates digestion and the secretion of bile. Used as a diuretic. Facilitates digestion in those suffering from overwork. Used for liver insufficiency. Used for gallstones.	Not stated Not stated ETOH Ext	Human Adult	ZZ1066
Leaf US	Used for the liver, gallbladder and digestion, for gallstones and gallbladder inflammation. Used for visceral pain due to problems in the liver and gallbladder; used for cystitis. Considered to be a urinary demulcent and to have antiseptic properties.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1055
Leaf US	Considered a cholagogue, diuretic, hepatic and sedative. Used for gallstones and gallbladder inflammation and visceral pain due to problems with the liver and gallbladder. Used for cystitis.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1056
Leaf US	Used to enhance renal and digestive elimination functions. Considered a choleretic and cholagogue.	Not stated	Human Adult	ZZ1048
Leaf US	Used for poor digestion, hepatitis, urinary infection, uric acid buildup, as a diuretic, antiseptic, alterative, bitter, tonic, cholagogue and to stimulate gastric and bile secretions.	Not stated	Human Adult	AV1004

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