

Ethnomedical Information on Pau d'Arco (*Tabebuia impetiginosa*)

Plant Part / Location	Documented Ethnic Use	Type Extract / Route	Used For	Ref #
Bark South America	Used for boils, chlorosis, colitis, diarrhea, dysentery, enuresis, fever, pharyngitis, snakebites, syphilis, wounds, cancer, ulcers, respiratory problems, arthritis, cystitis, constipation, prostatitis and poor circulation.	Not Stated	Human Adult	AU1005
Flower Amazonia	Used for colds, cough and flu.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	L04137
Bark Amazonia	Used on leishmaniasis sores.	Poultice	Human Adult	L04137
Bark Amazonia	Used for fever.	Not Stated	Human Adult	L04137
Bark Argentina	Used against diarrhea and to treat respiratory and urinary tract infections.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	K17523
Leaf Bahamas	Used for backache, dysuria, gonorrhea and toothache. Used as an aphrodisiac in combination with other plants.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Bahamas	Used for enuresis and incontinence.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Bolivia	Used as a cancer remedy. Most sources in the lay press and many letters of inquiry (1982–1983) have made reference to this plant as <i>Tabebuia avellanidae</i> and <i>Tabebuia rosea</i> , but these are incorrect. The true identity of "taheebo bark" is <i>Tabebuia impetiginosa</i> (Mart. ex DC.) Standl.	Hot H2O Ext Oral	Human Adult	N13344
Culture of Callus Tissue Brazil	Used as a diuretic. Used as an astringent.	Infusion Oral Infusion External	Human Adult	K28241
Leaf Brazil	Used for gastric illness. Used for ophthalmic illnesses. Used against cancer.	Not Stated Oral Not Stated Ophthalmic Decoction Oral	Human Adult	L05437
Leaf Brazil	Used as an astringent and mucilaginous for syphilitic ulcers. Used for gonorrhea.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1099
Leaf Brazil	Used for blennorrhagia.	Juice Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1088
Bark Brazil	Used for cancer, ulcers, diabetes and rheumatism, respiratory problems, colitis, arthritis, poor circulation, prostatitis, cystitis and constipation.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1070

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Bark Brazil	Used for rheumatism, arthritic inflammation, prostatitis, cystitis, fungus and yeast overgrowth, stomatitis, ulcers in the throat, gastric ulcers, syphilitic chancres, itchiness, wounds, eczema and boils. Used to prevent tumor formation, eliminate cancer pain and multiply the number of red blood cells, eliminate toxins and purify the blood.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1014
Bark Brazil	Used for candida, athlete's foot, cancer, parasitic infection, diabetes and for digestion.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1061
Bark Brazil	Used as an astringent and for impetigo.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1096
Bark Brazil	Used for affections of the skin, impetigo, itch, scabies, inflammation of the mouth, stomatitis, gastric ulcers, leucorrhea and diabetes. Used as an anti-inflammatory, antiallergic, antimicrobial, anticarcinogenic, antimalarial and antihemorrhagic.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1092
Bark Brazil	Used for scabies, ringworm and cancer.	Infusion Oral Salve External	Human Adult	ZZ1099
Bark Brazil	Used as an astringent and mucilaginous for syphilitic ulcers.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1099
Bark Brazil	Used for veins, hemorrhoids, varicose ulcers, as a depurgative after syphilis, for eczema, rheumatism, wounds, affections of the mouth, stomatitis and herpes of the lips. Used as an immunostimulant, antitumoral, antineoplastic, anticoagulant, antimalarial and analgesic.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1081
Bark Brazil	Used for leukemia, diabetes and cancer. Used for boils, chlorosis, syphilis, external wounds and Candida infection.	Not Stated	Human Adult	AU1004
Bark Brazil	Used for adenocarcinoma (pancreas), cancer of the esophagus, head, intestines, lung, prostate and tongue, Hodgkin's disease, leukemia and lupus. Said to be alexiteric, analgesic, anodyne, antidotal, diuretic and fungicidal.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Brazil	Used for boils, colitis, dysentery, bedwetting, fever, sore throat, snake bite, wounds, cancers (of the esophagus, head, intestine, lung, prostate, tongue), ulcers, respiratory problems, arthritis, cystitis, constipation, prostatitis and poor circulation.	Not Stated Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1064
Bark Brazil	Used as an astringent, mucilaginous and bitter. Used for impetigo, arthritic inflammation, leucorrhea, mucus in the urethra, gastritis, throat wounds, syphilis.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	

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Bark Brazil	Used for stomatitis, cancer, gastric ulcers and syphilis.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1002
Bark + Wood Brazil	Used inflammations of the mucosa such as gingivitis, throat, vagina, uterus and anus.	ETOH Ext Local Use	Human Adult	ZZ1078
Root + Bark Brazil	Used as an antitumoral, anti-inflammatory, anticarcinogenic, to protect against carcinogenic substances and AIDS and as an antioxidant and immune stimulant. Used for prostate cancer, malignant tumors, to reduce pain due to cancer, for hormonal cancers and colon cancer.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1076
Not Stated Brazil	Used for leukemia, malignant tumors of the liver, breast, cervix and prostate, and as a cancer analgesic. Said to stimulate the production of red blood cells in the bone marrow.	Not Stated	Human Adult	AU1002
Not Stated Brazil	Used as an antirheumatic, antisiphilitic and against leishmaniasis.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1099
Bark Costa Rica	Used for cancer.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	H16341
Bark Costa Rica	Used for colds, fever and headache.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Flower + Leaf + Shoot Costa Rica	Used for snakebite.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Guatemala	Used for rabies.	Decoction Oral	Dog	ZZ1049
Root Mexico	Used for anemia.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Leaf + Bark Mexico	Used for fever.	Decoction Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Not Stated Colombia	Used for cancer.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Not Stated USA	Used for fungal infection.	Decoction Oral Decoction External	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Bark Not Stated	Used as a cancer remedy, for diarrhea, boils, leprosy, chlorosis, dysentery, eneuresis, fever, pharyngitis, snakebite, syphilis and wounds. Use to aid the health of the immune system, as an antitumor, antimicrobial, analgesic, anodyne, diuretic, fungicidal, antifever, anticandida, anticancer, anti-inflammatory, antihemorrhagic and antileukemic.	Decoction Oral Tincture Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1011
Bark Not Stated	Used for cancer, osteomyelitis, ringworm, bronchitis, gastritis, colitis, cystitis, prostatitis, lupus, Hodgkin's disease and any type of pain. Used for parasitic penetration and schistosomiasis.	Infusion Oral	Human Adult	ZZ1053

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Bark Not Stated	Used for leukemia, cancer, candida infections and arthritis.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1062
Not Stated	Used as an antiparasitic.	Not Stated	Human Adult	AU1003
Not Stated	Used for boils, chlorosis, diarrhea, dysentery, enuresis, fever, pharyngitis, snakebite, syphilis and wounds.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1049
Not Stated	Used for fevers, anemia (with <i>Yerba mate</i>), infections, colds, flu, syphilis, cancer, respiratory problems, skin ulcerations, boils, dysentery, gastrointestinal problems, arthritis, prostatitis, circulation disturbances, lupus, diabetes, Hodgkin's disease, osteomyelitis, Parkinson's disease, ulcers, venereal disease, rheumatism, eczema, herpes, mange and psoriasis. Used to relieve pain, kill germs, increase the flow of urine and as an antidote to poisons.	Not Stated	Human Adult	ZZ1062

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