

CULTIVATED CROPS OF KERALA

Common Name	Malayalam Name	Botanical Name	Family
Cereals			
Chama (little millet)	Chama	<i>Panicum sumatrense</i>	Poaceae
Kodo millet	Varagu	<i>Paspalum scrobiculatum</i>	Poaceae
Maize	Cholam	<i>Zea mays</i>	Poaceae
Rice	Nellu	<i>Oryza sativa</i>	Poaceae
Ragi (Finger millet)	Koovaraku	<i>Eleusine coracana</i>	Poaceae
Pulses			
Black gram	Uzhunnu	<i>Vigna mungo</i>	Fabaceae
Cowpea	Perumpayar	<i>Vigna unguiculata</i>	Fabaceae
Green gram	Cherupayar	<i>Vigna radiata</i>	Fabaceae
Horse gram	Muthira	<i>Macrotyloma uniflorum</i>	Fabaceae
Red gram	Thuvarappayar	<i>Cajanus cajan</i>	Fabaceae
Tubers			
Colocasia	Chembu	<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>	Araceae
Carrot	Carrot	<i>Daucus carota</i>	Apiaceae
Elephant foot Yam	Chena	<i>Amorphophallus paeoniifolius</i>	Araceae
Potato	Urulakizhangu	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i>	Solanaceae
Radish	Mullangi	<i>Raphanus sativus</i>	Brassicaceae
Sweet potato	Cheenikizhangu	<i>Ipomoea batatas</i>	Convolvulaceae
Turnip	Seemamullangi	<i>Brassica rapa</i>	Brassicaceae
Tapioca	Maracheeni	<i>Manihot esculenta</i>	Euphorbiaceae
Greater Yam	Kachil	<i>Dioscorea alata</i>	Dioscoreaceae

Vegetables			
Brinjal	Vazhuthana	<i>Solanum melongena</i>	Solanaceae
Tomato	Thakkali	<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i>	Solanaceae
Chilli	Mulaku	<i>Capsicum annuum</i>	Solanaceae
Amaranthus	Cheera	<i>Amaranthus spp,</i>	Amaranthaceae
Okra	Venda	<i>Abelmoschus esculentus</i>	Malvaceae
Bitter gourd	Paval	<i>Momordica charantia</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Bottle gourd	Churakka	<i>Lagenaria siceraria</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Snake gourd	Padavalam	<i>Trichosanthes anguina</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Ridge gourd	Peechanga	<i>Luffa acutangula</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Ash gourd	Kumbalam	<i>Benincasa hispida</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Little gourd	Koval	<i>Coccinia grandis</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Sword bean	Valaringa	<i>Canavalia gladiata</i>	Fabaceae
French bean	Beans	<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	Fabaceae
Beet root	Beet root	<i>Beta vulgaris</i>	Chenopodiaceae
Cabbage	Muttakose	<i>Brassica oleracea</i> <i>var. capitata</i>	Brassicaceae
Carrot	Carrot	<i>Daucus carota</i>	Apiaceae
Cauliflower	Cauliflower	<i>Brassica oleracea</i> <i>var. botrytis</i>	Brassicaceae
Indian bean	Amara	<i>Lablab purpureus</i>	Fabaceae
Drumstick	Muringa	<i>Moringa oleifera</i>	Moringaceae
Musk melon	Thaikumbalam	<i>Cucumis melo</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Onion	Ulli	<i>Allium cepa</i>	Lilliaceae
Pumpkin	Mathan	<i>Cucurbita moschata</i>	Cucurbitaceae

Red pumpkin	Vellarimathan	<i>Cucurbita maxima</i>	Cucurbitaceae
Fruits			
Banana	Vazha	<i>Musa spp.</i>	Musaceae
Bread fruit	Seemachakka	<i>Artocarpus altilis</i>	Moraceae
Bullock's heart	Malamunthiri	<i>Annona reticulata</i>	Annonaceae
Cashew	Kasuvandi	<i>Anacardium occidentale</i>	Anacardiaceae
Sweet-sop	Seethapazham	<i>Annona squamosa</i>	Annonaceae
Grapes	Munthiringa	<i>Vitis vinifera</i>	Vitaceae
Guava	Perakka	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Myrtaceae
Jack	Chakka	<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>	Moraceae
Jujube	Elantha	<i>Zizyphus jujuba</i>	Rhamnaceae
Lemon	Naranga	<i>Citrus limon</i>	Rutaceae
Lime	Cherunaranga	<i>Citrus aurantifolia</i>	Rutaceae
Mango	Manga	<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Anacardiaceae
Mangosteen	Mangosteen	<i>Garcinia mangostana</i>	Clusiaceae
Papaya	Pappakka	<i>Carica papaya</i>	Caricaceae
Pineapple	Kaithachakka	<i>Ananas comosus</i>	Bromeliaceae
Pomegranate	Mathalanaranga	<i>Punica granatum</i>	Punicaceae
Sapota	Sapota	<i>Achras sapota</i>	Sapotaceae
Mandarin	Orange	<i>Citrus reticulata</i>	Rutaceae
Pomelo	Bamplimas	<i>Citrus decumana</i>	Rutaceae
Condiments & Spices			
Chilli	Mulaku	<i>Capsicum annuum</i>	Solanaceae
Turmeric	Manjal	<i>Curcuma domestica</i>	Zingiberaceae
Coriander	Kothamalli	<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>	Apiaceae

Indian mustard	Kaduku	<i>Brassica juncea</i>	Brassicaceae
Cumin	Jeerakam	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Apiaceae
Pepper	Kurumulaku	<i>Piper nigrum</i>	Piperaceae
Garlic	Veluthulli	<i>Allium sativum</i>	Liliaceae
Ginger	Inchi	<i>Zingiber officinale</i>	Zingiberaceae
Cardamom	Etam	<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i>	Zingiberaceae
Long Pepper	Thippali	<i>Piper longum</i>	Piperaceae
Nutmeg	Jathika	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Myristicaceae
Cinnamon	Karuvapatta	<i>Cinnamomum zeylanicum</i>	Lauraceae
Clove	Grambu	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>	Myrtaceae
Cinchona	Cinchona	<i>Cinchona officinalis</i>	Rubiaceae
Allspice	Allspice	<i>Pimenta dioica</i>	Myrtaceae
Fennel	Perumjeerakam	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Apiaceae
Oil Seeds			
Coconut	Thengu	<i>Cocos nucifera</i>	Arecaceae
Sesamum	Ellu	<i>Sesamum indicum</i>	Pedaliaceae
Groundnut	Nilakkadala	<i>Arachis hypogaea</i>	Fabaceae
Indian Mustard	Kaduku	<i>Brassica juncea</i>	Brassicaceae
Castor	Avanakku	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Euphorbiaceae
Oil Palm	Ennappana	<i>Elaeis guineensis</i>	Arecaceae
Beverages			
Coffee	Kappi	<i>Coffea spp.</i>	Rubiaceae
Tea	Theyila	<i>Camellia sinensis</i>	Theaceae
Cocoa	Cocoa	<i>Theobroma cacao</i>	Sterculiaceae

Green Manure Crops			
Glyricidia	Seemakonna	<i>Gliricidia maculata</i>	Fabaceae
Crotalaria(Striped)	Kilukki	<i>Crotalaria mucronata</i>	Fabaceae
Sunnhemp	Kattuchanambu	<i>Crotalaria juncea</i>	Fabaceae
Calapagonium	Calapagonium	<i>Calapagonium mucunoides</i>	Fabaceae
Kudzuvine	Kudzu payar	<i>Pueraria javanica</i>	Fabaceae
Wild indigo	Kozhinji	<i>Tephrosia purpurea</i>	Fabaceae
Fodder Crops			
Bermuda	Karuka	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	Poaceae
Napier	Napier	<i>Pennisetum purpureu</i>	Poaceae
Guinea	Kuthirappullu	<i>Panicum maximum</i>	Poaceae
Para	Parapullu	<i>Brachiaria mutica</i>	Poaceae
Tropical kudzu	Kudzu	<i>Pueraria phaseoloides</i>	Fabaceae
Other Crops			
Tobacco	Pukayila	<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>	Solanaceae
Betel vine	Vettila	<i>Piper betle</i>	Piperaceae
Arecanut	Kamuku	<i>Areca catechu</i>	Arecaceae
Para rubber	Rubber	<i>Hevea brasiliensis</i>	Euphorbiaceae
Sugarcane	Karimbu	<i>Saccharum officinarum</i>	Poaceae
Trees			
Teak	Thekku	<i>Tectona grandis</i>	Verbenaceae
Ebony	Karimaram	<i>Diaspyros ebenum</i>	Ebenaceae
Jungle jack/Aini	Anjili	<i>Artocarpus hirsutus</i>	Moraceae
Poon	Kattupunna	<i>Calophyllum polyanthum</i>	Clusiaceae

Tree of Heaven	Perumaram	<i>Ailanthus excelsa</i>	Simaroubaceae
Sain/Laurel	Karimaruthu	<i>Terminalia erenulata</i>	Combrentaceae
Kindal	Vellamaruthu	<i>Terminalia paniculata</i>	Combrentaceae
Gurjun	Vella Ayani	<i>Dipterocarpus indicus</i>	Dipterocarpaceae
Iron wood tree	Kadamaram	<i>Xylia zylocarpa</i>	Mimosaceae
Venteak	Venthekku	<i>Lagerstroemia microcarpa</i>	Lythraceae
Siris	Vaka	<i>Albizia lebbeck</i>	Fabaceae
Yellow teak	Manja Kadambu	<i>Haldina cordifolia</i>	Rubiaceae
Dita bark	Yezhilam pala	<i>Alstonia scholaris</i>	Apocynaceae
Ekadania	Mulluvenga	<i>Bridelia squamosa</i>	Euphorbiaceae
Mahogany	Mahogany	<i>Swietenia mahogani</i>	Meliaceae
Indian rose wood	Eetty	<i>Dalbergia latifolia</i>	Fabaceae
Jack	Plavu	<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>	Moraceae
Bead tree	Manjadi	<i>Adenantha pavonina</i>	Mimosaceae
MEDICINAL PLANTS			
Black Culch	Karingali	<i>Acacia catachu</i>	Mimosaceae
Asparagus	Sathavari	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Var. <i>javanicus</i>	Liliaceae
Brahmi	Neerbrahmi	<i>Bacopa monnieri</i>	Scrophulariaceae
Aparjit	Sankupushpam	<i>Clitoria ternatea</i>	Fabaceae
Indian borage	NjavaralPanikoorka	<i>Coleus amboinicus</i>	Lamiaceae
Nut grass	Muthanga	<i>Cyperus rotundus</i>	Cyperaceae
Sadovani	Velipparuthy	<i>Pergularia daemia</i>	Asclepiadaceae
Sarivan	Orila	<i>Desmodium gangeticum</i>	Fabaceae
Indian sarasaparilla	Narunandi	<i>Hemidesmus indicus</i>	Asclepiadaceae
Pennywort	Kudangal	<i>Centella asiatica</i>	Apiaceae

Kachura	Kacholam	<i>Kaempferia galanga</i>	Zingiberaceae
Neem	Veppu	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Meliaceae
Holybasil	Thulasi	<i>Ocimum sanctum</i>	Lamiaceae
Jaramala	Keezharnelli	<i>Phyllanthus fraternus</i>	Euphorbiaceae
Long Pepper	Thippali	<i>Piper longum</i>	Piperaceae
Rauwolfia	Sarpagandhi	<i>Rauwolfia serpentina</i>	Apocynaceae
Garden Rue	Sathappu/Arutha	<i>Ruta graveolens</i>	Rutaceae
Sida	Kurumthotti	<i>Sida rhombifolia</i>	Malvaceae
Gulantha (Hindi Name)	Chittamruthu	<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>	Menispermaceae
Antamul (Hindi Name)	Vallippala	<i>Tylophora indica</i>	Asclepiadaceae
Khas.khas	Ramacham	<i>Vetiveria zizanioides</i>	Poaceae
Nirgandi (Hindi Name)	Karinochi	<i>Vitex negundo</i>	Verbenaceae
Asgand (Hindi Name)	Amukuram	<i>Withania somnifera</i>	Solanaceae
Balloonvine	Uzhinja	<i>Cardiospermum helicacabum</i>	Sapendaceae