

SPECIES	<i>Syzygium aqueum</i>
COMMON NAME	Water Cherry, Watery Rose Apple, Water apple” and Bell fruit
ORIGIN	India through Malaysia
DESIGN USE	Wood and edible fruit, Ornamental plant



HEIGHT

3-10 m

HABIT

Trees or shrubs ,evergreen usually with essential oils-containing cavities in foliage , branchlets , and flowers

FORM

It has a short, crooked trunk branching close to the ground, and a nonsymmetrical, open crown

FLOWERS

White

FLOWERING PERIOD

Summer



FRUIT

Thin-skinned and shining, the fruit varies from white, to light-red or red, is pear-shaped with a narrow neck and broad apex. The flesh is white or pink, mildly fragrant, dry or juicy, crisp or spongy, and usually of sweetish but faint flavor.

VARIATIONS

In Indonesia, two forms are recognized—one white-fruited and the other red, the color of the latter developing from the base upward. Much variation is seen in the fruits from different trees in Malaya and the flavor of some types is quite acid.

BARK / TRUNK

The wood is hard and can be used to make tools. The bark of the tree is sometimes used in herbal medicines.

CLIMATIC TOLERANCES

Water apple's prefer warm, humid climates, with rainfall distributed throughout the year.

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