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Cassia javanica

[Synonyms : *Cassia bacillus*, *Cassia hacillus*, *Cassia megalantha*, *Cassia nodosa*,
Cathartocarpus javanicus]

PINK CASSIA is a deciduous tree. Native to Indonesia (especially the island of Java) and to Malaysia, it has fragrant, pink to red flowers.

It is also known as Apple blossom, Apple blossom cassia, Apple blossom shower, *Cassia* (Spanish), *Cassia rose* (French), *Dulang* (Malay), *Java-ki-rani* (Hindi), Java cassia, Javanese cassia, Java shower, Jointwood, *Kal-phruk* (Thai), Pink-and-white shower, Pink shower tree, and Rainbow shower.

The flowers fade to white with age.

Javanica means 'of or from Java (Indonesia)'.

Locally the bark is sometimes used for tanning (particularly in Indonesia) and the timber is employed in house building.

Medicinally, the fruit have provided a laxative in local remedies.