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Cinchona calisaya

[Synonyms : *Cinchona boliviana*, *Cinchona calisaya* var. *boliviana*, *Cinchona calisaya* var. *josephiana*, *Cinchona ledgeriana*, *Cinchona officinalis*, *Quinquina calisaya*]

YELLOW CINCHONA is an evergreen tree. It is native to Bolivia and southern Peru.

It is also known as Calisaya, Chinabark, *Chinarindenbaum* (German), *Chininbaum* (German), *Cinchona*, *Fieberrindenbaum* (German), Jesuit's powder, *Keltakiinapuu* (Finnish), *Kinaträd* (Swedish), Ledger bark, Peruvian bark, Quinine, *Quinquina* (French), *Quinquina jaune* (French), *Quinquing* (French), Yellowbark, and Yellowbark cinchona.

Warning – yellow cinchona is poisonous in overdoses and/or, like cinchona (*Cinchona officinalis*), with prolonged use.

The North American Cherokee Indian tribe not only used yellow cinchona as a tonic but also prescribed it as a plant infusion for treating impotence.

The tree is now cultivated for its bark which is used medicinally. This was the first of the genus to be exploited commercially to obtain the drug to combat fever.