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*Garcinia*

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*Garcinia* commemorates a French physician, botanist and Calvinist preacher, Laurent Garcin (1683-1751/2) who travelled around the Cape of Good Hope, India and Malaysia. Although based in Jakarta (Indonesia), then known as Batavia and the hub of the Dutch East India Company, he made many journeys in the Company's vessels to the eastern and north-western coasts of India. These trips enabled him to keep journals containing observations and descriptions with regard to both land and marine natural history of those regions.