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Thunbergia alata

[Synonyms : *Thunbergia erecta*, *Thunbergia grandiflora*]

BLACK-EYED CLOCKVINE is a perennial (usually grown as an annual) twining, trailing or climbing vine. Native to tropical south and east Africa it has small dark brown-centred, white, cream or orange flowers.

It is also known as *Akar ulan* (Malay), Black-eyed Susan, Black-eyed Susan vine, Bright eyes, Clock vine, *Fleure jaune savane* (Guadeloupe, Martiniquais), Golden glory vine, *Kanyanja* (Kikuyu), King's mantle, Orange clock vine, Pullet's eye, *Svartöga* (Swedish), *Thunbergia*, *Thunbergie křídlatá* (Czech), and White thunbergia.

Alata is derived from Latin *ala* (wing) meaning 'winged'.

The leaves are used in veterinary medicine in Kenya, for various cattle ailments.

Medicinally, in Malaysia the leaves have been applied in poultices to ease headaches.