

## Guggul



**Botanical name** - Commiphora mukul **family**-Burseraceae

**English name:** Indian bedellium, Indian bdellium

**Synonyms:**

Devadhupa, Jatayu, Kaushika,  
Pura, Kumbha, Ulukhala, palankasha

**Medicinal properties-**

Rasa - Tikta , katu  
Guna - Laghu , Rooksha , Vishada, Sookshma , Sara .  
Vipaka - Katu  
Veerya -ushna

**Nava Guggulu** (before one year) is  
Snigdha,Picchila  
Bruhma - nutritious, improves body strength  
Vrushya aphrodisiac

### **Purana Guggulu**

(Gulgulu older than a year) Is  
Lekhana ,Tridoshashamaka,  
Relieves bad odour, skin diseases and increases digestive diseases.

### **Identification characteristics of new and old Guggulu (Bhavaprakasha):**

New guggulu is  
Snigdha unctuous, oily  
Kanchana Sankasha - has golden yellow shine  
Pakva Jambuphalopama -resembles ripe  
jamun fruit  
Sugandhi- has good aroma  
Picchila - Sticky, Slimy

Old guggulu is  
Shushka - dry  
Durgandha - foul smelling  
Tyaktaprakruti varna will not have its original colour and nature

### **Varieties -**

Commiphora Wightii, Commiphora  
roxburghii, Balsamodendron Mukul

### **Therapeutic action -**

Medahara ,Meha,Kushta,Amavatahara .  
Granthihara,shopahar,Arsha,

### **Classical categorisation-**

Charaka- Sangya Sthapana .

Sushruta and Vaghbata - Eladi Gana

### **Morphology-**

Shrub, 4- 6 feet height, branches knotty, crooked, ending in a sharp spine.

Leaves-1-2 foliate, leaflet - subsessile

Flowers - Seen in fascicles of 2-3 with very short pedicels

Fruits - Drupe

Seeds Small, nuts, ovoid, Splitting in to two

**Formulation** - triphala gugglu,Kaishor gugglu,lakshadi,panchtikta ghrita  
gugglu,naval,punarnavadi,yograj gugglu.  
Kanchnar gugglu