

**Babool / Kikar (*Acacia nilotica* (L.))**

**Family:** Leguminosae / Fabaceae

**Vernacular Names:** Hindi: Babool/Kikar, English: Gum Arabic tree, Punjabi: Kikar Paryay / Sanskrit

**Synonyms:** Babbul, Kinkirati, Yugmakantaka, Sukshmapatra, Pitapushpa, Nilotpala

**Ras Panchak:**

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| <b>Rasa</b>   | - Tikta, Kashaya,                   |
| <b>Guna</b>   | - Ruksha, Vishada, Guru, Stambhana, |
| <b>Virya</b>  | - Sheeta,                           |
| <b>Vipaka</b> | - Katu.                             |

**Doshagnata:** KaphaPitta shamak

**Amayik Prayog:** Oral hygieneGandusha, dental care, diarrhea, raktatisara, daha, vrana, kasa, krimi, visha, arthritis

**Matra:** Kwatha 20 - 30 g, decoction 50 - 100 ml/day, Churna 3 - 6 g, Gum 2 - 3 g/day

**Specific Formulations:** Dasanakanti churnam tooth powder

**Chemical Composition:** Tannins 12 - 20%, gallic acid, mdigallic acid, catechin, flavonoids: kaempferol3glucoside, isoquercitrin, leucocyanidin

