

Sambucus canadensis L.

Elder

S. javanica Reinh. Pa-so Ma Eight-spindled elder reduce swelling stimulate circulation & stop pain for sprains of extremities pain in bones, traumatic injuries, swelling of lower extremities (beri-beri?) whole plant in decoction 30-60 grams or crush for fresh poultice. Pioneers simmered bark in lard to make ointment for chafed skin, abrasions, ulcers & burns juice of root & boiled bark for treating water retention flowers & fruits poulticed for rheumatism sores & burns; beaten mashed leaves poulticed for headache Indians pounded smaller roots stirred in hot water & tied to swollen breasts berries fermented by early settlers for tonic wine & cooling lotion for fevers. S. javanica Reinh.

S. racemosa L. deciduous shrub neutral bitter taste Promotes callus formation muscle & sinew healing stimulates circulation & alleviates pain dispels flatulence for 1) traumatic injuries, fractures 2) rheumatoid arthralgia, gas pain 3) acute & chronic nephritis Leaves stems & roots 1-2 liter decoction 3) dried inner bark of stems purgative (caution: large doses emetic) root bark violently purgative ointment for bruises & sprains (also leaves) leaves juice for eye-wash warm leaves poulticed to forehead for headache. dry flowers diaphoretic & stimulant 3)

Carrier for child birth Carrier Cherokee Git-skan, Iroquois, Ojibwa bark or root emetic Chactaw poultice with Cherokee washed sores with leaves, fruit juice for rheumatism, for boils, burns, dropsy, eruptions, fevers infections Creek poulticed pounded root on swollen breasts Delaware flower decoction for childrens colic leaves & stems for blood disorders & jaundice Fox root bark in expectorant decoctions over ↗ salt for headache

8 Housa Fermented berries for tonic, bark pain killer Mâni root & bark for failing limbs

Iroquois boiled inner bark for toothache, ague, inflammation berries for fever & convalescence

Lumbee soaked swollen feet in stem/leaf or root decoction an bathed sores in it

Malecite & Micmac emetic, physic, purgative & soporific Menominiee flower tea for fever

Meskwaki root & bark expectorant Mohegan inner bark emetic flower decoction for childrens catarrh

Onondaga elder bark emetic for Cicutâ poison Poite flower tea for colds & coughs

Piappahannock elderberry wine for neuritis or rheumatism Thompson fresh bark to toothache

western poulticed leaves & pith on hemorrhoids young shoots for dropsy & stomach, berry decoction for bronchitis cold fever & sore throat bark tea for dysmenorrhœa Yuki decocted dry flowers for bruises & sprain

Ch diuretic, cathartic, emetic, for dropsy, light sickness among children salve for burns and eruptions of skin decoction for summer complaint, berry tea, for rheumatism

berry or flower tea tonic for boils wash sores with leaves to keep down infections flower tea to sweat fever berries in jellies & other foods

Sanguinaria canadensis L.

Bloodroot
Red Puccoon

Part Used Root

¹ root emetic, purgative & stimulant juice used as stain by Indians¹

¹² collect roots in fall, tonic alterative, stimulant & emetic.¹²

rich soil shade pH 6-7 requires little care Propagate by root division or seed
light wintercover left in place¹⁴⁹ source Captain John Smith Indian women used for body paint, root to induce vomiting &
for chewing root tea for fever & rheumatism; chewed root & put spit on burns (can be toxic-careful)
New England Indians squeezed root juice onto lump of maple sugar & dissolved in mouth for sore throat (also risky)
root clears throat & nasal mucus, tonic & induces vomiting (also dangerous)¹⁹ 3 juice emetic & narcotic
in large doses; in small doses stimulant, tonic & expectorant, to make expectorant steam level tsp
root in pint of boiling water ^{strain} 1/2 hour, dose 1 tsp 3-6 Times daily Bloodroot has been used for catarrh
scarlatina, jaundice, dyspepsia, ringworm, fungoid tumors, & affections of respiratory tract Barton
in 1799 to induce vomiting is most prominent effect even in moderate doses³

8 Abenaki echolic Algonquin root for heart ailments Delaware eat bit of root daily for vitiligo, &
Cherokee snuffed roots for catarrh & polyps decoction for cough croup & lung blood purifier, stomachache
Fox put boiled root to burns Potawatomi tea for diphtheria & sore throat Ojibwa root, vine for sores, terine
Potawatomi squeezed root juice onto maple sugar for lozenges for sore throat Cherokee for cancers
bathed indent ulcers in root decoction steeped roots in vinegar for tetterworm Iroquois chewed root for snakebite
over 2

8 Itogwais chewed root ~~on~~ snakebite Malecite for consumption, hemoptysis, infections
Menominee pancreas add to other medicines Mohawk roots for deafness, sore ears, dyspepsia
Mohegan root depurative Seneca washed uterus with decoction with wood ashes
Ck root decoction in small doses for coughs, lung inflammations cramp wash for ulcers & sores
steep in vinegar for tetterworm snuff for polypus pulverize root & snuff for catarrh
tea with broom sedge for cough, red dye

Sanicula *canadensis* L.
gregaria Bicknell
smallii Bickn.

Black Snakeroot

Parts Used - root/stalk, leaves

S. *canadensis* Algonquin bruised leaves to inflammation & swellings Chippewa root for amenorrhea & dysmenorrhea antiperiodic, antispasmodic, astringent Houna root decoction for heart

S. gregaria Fox smudged to stop nosebleed

S. marilandica Iroquois pounded root as poultice for snake bite Malecite root infusion for dysmenorrhea & menosis Menominee ceremonial Ojibwa root for fever & snakebite, general Indians for croup fever, hives malarial, nerves, sore throat

S. smallii Cherokee liniments & tea for colic, mixed with pink ladyslipper for stomach cramps

Saponaria officinalis L.

Bouncing Bet
Soapwort

Part Used: Roots (without runners), leaves

1² collect in spring or fall, tonic alterative, diaphoretic ¹²⁹ High saponin content
(produces soapy lather) used to wash clothes root to treat gout, syphilis & rheumatism ⁹

3 root or leaf decoction (produces foamy lather) 2 oz root to 1 pint water for general diseases jaundice gout

& rheumatism internally thickened juice for gonorrhea decoction of root for skin diseases, boils,

abscesses etc. ³⁵ S. vaccaria Cow Soapwort vasodilator, stimulates circulation, heals wounds,
removes thorns or splinters but is dangerous for pregnant women ⁵

8 Cherokee poulticed on boils

Sassafras albidum

9 Appalachian root-bark tea for bronchitis, increases urine flow relieves gas & upset stomach increase sweating In early 1800's, tea used to slow milk flow in nursing mothers bark poultice for sore eyes tea for kidney trouble, dysentery & respiratory ailments 9
Used in Germany by 1582 for treating syphilis diaphoretic aromatic, antiseptic for nasal & throat sprays, ant repellent decoction applied to inflamed eyes mild diuretic 3

3 heart, diaphoretic, diuretic stimulant insect repellentobhists chewed bark to break tobacco habit

Catawba put roots to lame extremities Choctaw root decoction for measles, to thin blood

Cherokee tea for ague diarrhea, flux, infected wounds obesity rheumatism skin sores sore eyes wounds

Greek with spicebush for dropsy & rheumatism Delaware depurative Mohawk infused pith for sore eyes

Iroquois antirheumatic depurative diuretic tonic Lumbee for chickenpox, colds, depurative fever flu heart measles & tonic spring tonic for diarrhea high or low blood pressure pimples & sores

Malegan young shoots collyrium Nanticoke root decoction fibrifuge spring tea for ague & fever

Onondaga powdered leaves on wounds Seneca tea for coryza & dyspepsia, poultice mashed leaves for bites & stings

Rappahannock root tea brings out rash in measles reduces fever pith for sore eyes raw buds aphrodisiac

Cherokee tea for VD poultice wounds and sores wash for sore eyes in worm medicine steep root bark for diarrhea or flux, colds bark tea for obesity plant beans with flowers (when it flowers)

Sassafras

Saururus cernuus L.

Lizards' Tail

S. chinensis (Lour.) Baill. Clears fever, detoxifies, promotes diuresis, reduces inflammation, for edema, nephritis - assoc. or nutritional edema inflammation and calculus of urinary system, rheumatoid arthritis, boils & abscesses, rashes & fungus infections of skin Decoction of whole plant 15-30 gm. or crushed fresh for poultice
8 Cherokee & Choctaw poulticed root decoction on sores Chippewa stomach medicine

Dyes

General directions on another card

flip ↘

Yellow

Bodark roots Yellowwood
 Chamomile flowers
 Goldenrod flowers
 Hackberry roots
 Sunflower rays
 Butternut root
 St. Johns wort tops

Smoke tree bark

Smartweed

Hickory (Mockernut) bark

Alder leaves leatherflower herb

Apple bark cocklebur

Aster flowers mullein

Bedstraw roots coneflower

Birch leaves coreopsis

Bluestem dandelion roots

Catnip dodder

Carolina buckthorn elder leaves

Buckeye everlasting

Red.

Horseweed flowers
 Sumac berries?
 Bloodroot
 Dyers' bedstraw
 Madder roots
 Virginia Creeper

Blue

Blue Ash (inner bark)
 Elecampane roots
 Baptisia (Wild Indigo)
 Amorpha (Leadplant)
 Lichen (*Puccella tinctoria*) Exodus 25:4
 Roman Pliny the Elder Ezekiel 27:7
 Greek Theophrastus

Orange

Jewellweed
 Black Oak
 Bloodroot
 Sumac roots
 Ironwood
 Bodark roots

Purple

Poke
 Dandelion

Eclipta alba(L.) Hassk

Yerbade de Tajo

P. E. prostrata L. Neutral, sour Tonifies lungs, strengthens kidneys, clears fever & detoxifies cools blood stops bleeding
Diphtheria, Tonsillitis, gastritis, enteritis, conjunctivitis, cystitis, urinary tract inflammation

³ Warm infusion emetic sudorific diaphoretic in fevers & constipation Also used in rheumatism typhoid fever, pneumonia catarrh, dropsy influenza for cold, fevers dyspepsia jaundice debility flowering tops dried 1 oz to pint boiling water infusion dosed by wineglassful Hot induces sweating for colds & as emetic *E. purpureum* Typhus fever rhizome Decoctions or infusions for dropsy

strangury gravel urinary disorders diuretic astringent alterative, nervine, tonic dose 2-4 fluidoz decoction 3-4 times a day auxiliary to other tonics emetics diuretics overdoses cause nausea pains in stomach & bowels increased heart action & rundown feeling 3 *E. aromaticum* diaphoretic, antispasmodic expectorant aromatic diuretic 3 *E. hyssopifolium* Antivenomous, for bites (bruise & apply to wound) 3

8 ^{capillifolium} Lumbee drank root tea for fever, applied top decoction to penis to maintain erection

E. maculatum Smokeweed Cherokee for dropsy, dysuria, gout, hysteria, pregnancy, ^{genital} & fretful children Enthematism used stem section to spray medicine Chippewa root decoction for rheumatism Troquois roots for nephrosis & rheumatism ♀ problems

E. perfoliatum Abenaki antimalarial tonic Choctaw emetic tea for biliousness Cherokee for ague, colds, fever, flu, sore throat Chippewa for dysmenorrhea Creek stem baths Creek root tea for epilepsy Troquois for colds & fever Meskwaki tea of flowers etc for worms for headache Delaware Mohegan etc drank tea for chills & fever & stomachache Mahaska used tea for vermicifuge Fox root for snakebite & as poultice Rappahannock pre-flowering leaves Tonic Seneca tonic antimalarial

E. pilosum Cherokee for breasts, colds constipation oliguria phthisis *E. rugosum* Cherokee root for ague, fever, gravel Fox steam bath diarrhoea dysuria

E. purpureum Cherokee root decoction for dysuria, dysmenorrhoea, nephrosis Fox liver charm Iroquois kidney tonic stimulant Menominee face cleaner Potsawatomi poultice on burns Rappahannock blood medicine Ch tonic colds laxative nostrils, urination

Helianthus *annuus* L.
strumosus L.

Sunflower

⁹ *annuus* In last century was grown as protection from malaria infusion of flowers to kill flies warm bath of flowers to relieve rheumatism; aches & pains plant for bronchitis ⁹ *strumosus* Indians applied crushed root to bruises seeds increase urine flow & clear phlegm 3 leaves astringent seeds diuretic roots for snakebite & as dye, cough pulmonary affections, dysentery, inflammation of bladder & kidneys antimalarial Boil 2 oz seeds in quart water Boil to just below pint & strain add 6 oz gin & 6 oz sugar 3-4 times daily 1-2 tsp doses for pulmonary affections & coughs Brown seeds in oven & make infusion for whooping cough 3

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persistant cough plant used to reduce fever & treat liver complaints & lung hemorrhage
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Helianthemum canadense

Frostweed

& Cherokee steeped leaves for kidney medicine

Delaware poulticed root on sore throat & drank infusion hot steam footbaths
sit over basin with feet soaking covered with blanket for arthritis swellings &
rheumatism

~~standardized~~ ^{standardized} ~~medicinal~~ ^{medicinal}

Heuchera

villosa Michx.
puberula Mackenz. & Bush
americana L.

Alumroot

Parts Used - Root

combine with golden seal internally for bowel or bladder 2 pts. goldenseal to 1 pt. Alumroot (Kloss)
well-drained humus pH 5-6 propagate by seeds, root division or rooted creepers moist, dense shade
protect from slugs light winter cover left in place ¹⁴⁹ root decoction used in 1800s for sore
throat and by Indians as a poultice on skin lesions & wounds root infusion used
to treat diarrhea and a leaf poultice for skin abrasions.

americana Cherokee root for diarrhea, dysmenorrhea, dysentery, hemorrhoids, bleeding chewed for
flying glossitis, powdered on indolent ulcers Fox put leaves to sores Menominee root decoction for stomach pain
ste root for upset stomach Meskwaki astringent in healing sores root for Cancer (also *hispida pubescens* & *villosa*)

Ck root astringent tea for bowel's immoderate mense flow piles, hemorrhages powdered root on ^{malignant} ulcers
tea with honey for thrush & sore mouths dysentery, chew root to take coat off tongue, sprinkle tea
on summer sores.

Hieracium sp.

Houstonia /
Venorum

Venorum
King devil

Hawkweed

3 Herb tonic, mucilaginous & astringent 3

& *Venorum* Cherokee root tea for bowel disorders

Cherokee root tea with squawvine for bowel complaints

Houstonia caerulea Bluet Cherokee tea for enuresis

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Bluets

Ch tea to stop bedwetting

Lemna sp.

Deckweed

3 L. minor entire plant demulcent & is used in poultices 3

8 fragnia is mixed with chickweed to apply to swellings on skin

Monarda ^a*Russeliana* Nutt. ^b*punctata* L. ^c*fistulosa* L. ^d*citriodora* Cerv. ^e*edidyma* L.

a Horsemint ^dLemon Mint
b Bee Balm
c Dotted Horsemint
~~d~~ Wild Bergamont

Part Used: The whole herb

¹*Russeliana*: tea from leaves ⁶*punctata*: varieties contain aromatic oils used in stimulant medicines
^c*fistulosa*: tea from dried or fresh leaves stimulant to remove pain in colic ^d*citriodora* —
^e*edidyma* leaves aromatic fragrant delicious tea; place leaves in boiling water ¹
^e moist opening in woods pH 5.5-6.5 easy to cultivate Propagate by division or seed ^{1/4}
⁹*fistulosa* Indians decocted leaves & bathed for chills; dried herb boiled & vapors inhaled for bronchial treatment root decoction drunk for stomach disorders tea of leaves & flowers for bronchial problems; pioneer lotion of boiled leaves for pimples & skin eruptions. Infusion to reduce fever & treat headaches colds & sore throats N Mex. Indians dry & crush & rub on forehead for headache
Also meat flavoring & with beans ⁹

⁸*M. edidyma* Cherokee tea for colds, colic, fever flu headache, heart, hysteria insomnia measles wipe on head for epistaxis
M. fistulosa Chippewa for burns eruptions gastritis headaches worms cheese & put in nose for headache sautéed powdered leaves for colds Creek infused for diaphoretic, deafness, delirium, dropsy, rheumatism, swellings Dakota leaf & flower decoction for abdominal pain Fox for colds Menominee for catarrh and infantile weakness Navaho cold infusion for arrows or gunshot wounds Ojibwa boiled & inhaled steam for bronchitis & catarrh decoction for colic Sioux floral tea for cold fever & headache Teaua ate leaves and poulticed on head & neck internally & externally for fever & sore throat

Plantago *P. eriata* Michx. - Bracted Plantain *P. elongata* Pursh
P. cordata Lam. - Heartleaf Plantain ← Endangered - National

Dock Plantain

9 In Appalachia leaf tea is tonic, seeds bulk laxative soaking seeds in water extrudes a clear, sticky gum used in lotions & wave-set solutions leaves crushed and bound to bruises to reduce swelling Fresh roots or leaves boiled & poulticed to sore nipples to treat dysentery extreme constipation & blood disorders 9 *P. major* Linn. for (1) urinary tract infections, prostatitis, acute conjunctivitis (2) nephrotic edema, ureteral stones, difficult micturition whole plant 5 chien/living or seeds alone 3-5 chien decoction

3 *P. major* leaf vulnerary for wounds stings & bruises as poultice, infusion or to pint boiling water wineglassful doses for diarrhea, ointment of leaves for sore eyes 3 5 *P. major* Appleseed Plantain diuretic, to increase sperm & fertility soothes cough & lends intense glow to eyes, coughs & sore throat *P. lanceolata* anticoagulant 5

8 *P. major* Abenaki poulticed leaves on bruises, inflammation rheumatism & swelling Cherokee put leaves to blisters, bruises, burns, sores & ulcers, to headache & yellowjacket stings tea for bites, hematuria, douches, & swelling juice for sore eyes Chippewa poulticed leaves on rheumatism & snakebites Chopped root or greased leaves to inflammation, add ginger Cree chewed leaves put to burns, scalds, earache & toothache swallowed leaves for internal bleeding Delaware poulticed leaves on bruises, & ailments Hesquiat's poulticed on cuts & sores Fox leaves for burns & swellings decoction for diuretic Mohican poulticed leaves onto bugbites & snakebites

Navaho panacea Ojibwa poulticed leaves on burns bruises snakebites, sores, sprains, splinters

Omaha put hot leaves to splinters & thorns Paiute root decoction for colds & pneumonia's bound leaves on cuts & wounds to prevent scars Potawatomi put heated leaves to inflammation & swelling decocted roots to discharge tones in throat over

Podophyllum peltatum L.

Mandrake

May Apple

Parts Used: Root Stalks, fruit * Some people get dermatitis from rootstalk
1/2 collect in late Sept or October, cathartic ^{1/2 1} rootstalks cathartic, slightly poisonous
fruit eaten raw or as jelly, marmalade or preserves mix juice with lemonade.¹
pH ~~4-7~~ shade resin used to treat warts & tumors. Appalachian root tea for constipation
roots for jaundice, fever, cancer, liver ailments & syphilis ⁹ 3 Root infusion or decoction 1 tsp root to pint
boiling water tsp doses, for liver, bowels slow cathartic take small frequent doses, as large doses
give violent reactions, leaves said to be poisonous ³

8 Cherokee root for constipation, deafness (drops of fresh plant) rheumatism, sores, ulcers, & worms. Cree powdered roots
for liver Delaware plant aphrodisiac root decoction as laxative (dangerous) & tonic Osage antidote for poison
Fox root for heart & emetic dropsy rheumatism & snakebite Menomine boiled as insecticide infusion to kill potato bugs

Cherokee joints of roots are poison use only part between joints root antihelmintic
boiled root - purgative, drop of juice of fresh root in ear for deafness powdered root
on ulcers and sores gather root in late fall dry in shade soak corn in root ooze before
planting to keep off crows and insects rheumatism constipation

F Break roots between joints and boil for constipation Red Star soak roots in water for fever ^{Beech} Grove
medicine for liver from roots Harrison

Z. planispinum Sieb et Zucc. vermifuge for (1) Stomach-ache, gastrointestinal disturbances, ascariasis
(2) rheumatoid arthritis, traumatic bruises & aches, (3) Swellings & abscesses of unknown
origin, snake bites 1-3 chien roots 7-11 seeds in decoction *Z. nitidum* (Lam.) D.C.
slightly toxic eliminates flatulence detoxifies reduces inflammations & alleviates pain for
(1) Stomach-ache (2) Rheumatoid arthralgia, back-strain & bruises, (3) tetanus burns snakebites
Roots 2-3 chien decoction *Z. bungeanum* Mak. Acrid, toxic disperses chill cold contracts moisture
vermifuge against parasites for (1) Chills & pain in abdomen, vomiting, cold-damp diarrhea, dysentery
(2) ascariasis-caused abdominal pain (3) moist skin sores capsule peels or seeds .8 - 1.5 chien pulverized
mixed with water taken orally *Z. simulans* Huang warming acrid biting taste Eliminates flatulence stimulates
stomach removes excess cold alleviates pain reduces swelling, kills worms for 1) Rheumatism-related
aching bones, traumatic injuries 2) Sore throats 3) Snakebites root stems & bark 1 chien decoction

82 *Z. clava-herculis* Hornevs grated root in whiskey for rheumatism, toothache
Cherokee *Z. americanum* tea to bathe swollen joints