



Abrus precatorius L.

Family: Fabaceae

Common name: Rosary pea

Local name: Rati

Importance:

- The leaves of the herb are used to cure fever, cough and cold.
- Used to treat scratches and sores and wounds caused by dogs, cats and mice.
- Traditionally used to treat tetanus and to prevent rabies.
- Used to prepare oil that is claimed to be an aphrodisiac.
- Seeds used to weigh gold in ancient times.