

## Medicinal Plants of Himachal Pradesh used in Indian Pharmaceutical Industry

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*Himachal Pradesh is considered the natural abode of many important medicinal herbs. Its flora is very rich and varied due to its wide ranging geographical and climatic conditions. The present communication deals with 175 medicinal plants of Himachal Pradesh, which are used by Indian pharmaceutical industries for the preparation of various drug formulations. Each plant species is provided with its correct botanical name, followed by important synonym, family name in parenthesis, sanskrit name, local name (s), trade name (s), parts used, period of collection, uses, name of some important preparations, distribution and abundance in the State. The aforesaid data are based on author's personal experiences, analysis of the collections*

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