



**Common Name:** Tsaang-gubat

**Scientific Name:** *Ehretia microphylla* Lam.

**Family:** *Ehretiaceae*

**Distribution:** China, India, Indochina, Java, Lesser Sunda Isls, Malay Peninsula, Moluccas, Myanmar, New Guinea, Philippines, Ryukyu Isls, Solomon Isls, Sri Lanka, Sulawesi, Sumatra, Taiwan, Thailand. BASILAN, BATANES, BOHOL, BORACAY, CEBU, DANJUGAN, GUIMARAS, KINAPUSAN, LEYTE, LUZON: Bataan, Benguet, Bulacan, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Laguna, NCR, Rizal, MARINDUQUE, MINDANAO: Davao, Davao del Sur, Misamis Occidental, Misamis Oriental, Zamboanga, PALAWAN, TAWI-TAWI, TICA0

**DAO/IUCN category:** Least Concern



**Description:** Tsaang-gubat is a shrub growing up to 4 meters high commonly used as a hedge and topiary in ornamental landscaping. Its leaves are used as tea for its analgesic, anti-diabetic, anti-inflammatory, anti-microbial, antispasmodic and anti-mutagenic properties.

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