

#### 4. SPONDIAS Linnaeus, Sp. Pl. 1: 371. 1753.

檳榔青屬 bing lang qing shu

*Allospodias* Stapf; *Evia* Commerson ex Blume; *Skoliostigma* Lauterbach; *Solenocarpus* Wight & Arnott; *Wirtgenia* Junghuhn ex Hasskarl.

Entirely or partly deciduous trees. Leaves alternate, spirally arranged, petiolate, imparipinnately compound; leaflet margin serrate or entire. Inflorescence paniculate, terminal or axillary. Flowers 4- or 5-merous, bisexual or functionally unisexual. Stamens 8–10; filaments subulate to filiform, equal in length. Disk intrastaminal, 10-crenate to crenulate. Ovary 4- or 5-locular, with 1 ovule per locule; styles 4 or 5, free, or style 1. Fruit drupaceous; mesocarp juicy; endocarp woody or bony, covered by a fibrous matrix; embryo elongate, straight to slightly curved.

About 11 species: tropical America and tropical Asia; two species in China.

- 1a. Leaflets 5–11, glabrous on both sides, with submarginal veins; sepals glabrous; drupe elliptic ..... 1. *S. pinnata*  
1b. Leaflets 11–23, often covered with hairs, without submarginal veins; sepals minutely pubescent; drupe obovate to isodiametric ..... 2. *S. lakonensis*

1. **Spondias pinnata** (Linnaeus f.) Kurz, Prelim. Rep. Forest Pegu, App. A, 44; App. B, 42. 1875.

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*Mangifera pinnata* Linnaeus f., Suppl. Pl. 156. 1782; *Poupartia pinnata* (Linnaeus f.) Blanco; *Spondias acuminata* Roxburgh; *S. bivenomarginalis* K. M. Feng & P. Y. Mao; *S. mangifera* Willdenow; *Tetrastigma megalocarpum* W. T. Wang.

Deciduous trees, 10–15 m tall; branchlets yellowish brown, glabrous. Petiole 10–15 cm, petiole and rachis glabrous; leaf blade 30–40 cm, imparipinnately compound with 5–11 opposite leaflets; leaflet petiolule 3–5 mm; leaflet blade ovate-oblong to elliptic-oblong, 7–12 × 4–5 cm, papery, glabrous on both sides, base cuneate to rounded, often oblique, margin serrate or entire, apex acuminate, lateral veins 12–25 pairs, slightly impressed adaxially, prominent abaxially, joined with submarginal collecting vein. Inflorescence paniculate, terminal, 25–35 cm, glabrous, basal first order branches 10–15 cm. Flower sessile or subsessile, white, glabrous. Calyx lobes triangular, ca. 0.5 mm. Petals ovate-oblong, ca. 2.5 × 1.5 mm, apically acute. Stamens ca. 1.5 mm. Ovary subglobose, ca. 1 mm; styles 4 or 5, free, ca. 0.5 mm. Drupe ellipsoid to elliptic-ovoid, yellowish orange at maturity, 3.5–5 × 2.5–3.5 cm; inner part of endocarp woody and grooved, outer part fibrous; mature fruit usually with 2 or 3 seeds. Fl. Apr–Jun, fr. Aug–Sep.

Lowland and hill forests; 300–1200 m. S Guangxi, Hainan, S Yunnan [probably native to Indonesia and the Philippines; widely cultivated and naturalized in Bhutan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia (peninsular), Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam].

2. **Spondias lakonensis** Pierre, Fl. Forest. Cochinch. 5: t. 375. 1898.

嶺南酸棗 ling nan suan zao

Deciduous trees, 8–15 m tall; branchlets grayish brown, minutely pubescent. Petiole and rachis terete, minutely pubescent; leaf blade 25–67 cm, imparipinnate with 11–23 opposite to alternate leaflets; leaflet petiolule ca. 2 mm, minutely pubescent; leaflet blade oblong or oblong-lanceolate, 6–13 × 1.5–4 cm, minutely pubescent abaxially along veins, with tufts of hairs in axils of lateral veins, base oblique, broadly cuneate to somewhat rounded, margin entire, apex acuminate, lateral

veins 8–10 pairs, without submarginal collecting veins. Inflorescences paniculate, axillary, 15–35 cm, minutely grayish brown pubescent, loosely branched. Flowers subtended by puberulent 0.5–1 mm bracts,

with articulate and minutely pubescent 2.5–3.4 mm pedicels. Calyx ca. 0.6 mm, minutely pubescent, lobes obtuse apically. Petals white, oblong to ovate-oblong, ca. 2.5 × 1 mm, glabrous, 3-veined. Stamens ca. 2.5 mm. Ovary 4(or 5)-locular; style 1. Drupe ovate to obovate, ± angled, red at maturity, 8–10 × 6–7 mm; endocarp 4-angled in cross section, 4-locular with 1 seed per locule.

Forests. Fujian, Guangdong, Guangxi, Hainan, S and SE Yunnan [Laos, Thailand, Vietnam].

- 1a. Leaflets abaxially minutely pubescent along nerves and with hair tufts in axils of lateral veins; inflorescence minutely grayish brown pubescent ..... 2a. var. *lakonensis*  
1b. Leaflets with long hairs on both sides; inflorescence grayish yellow tomentose .... 2b. var. *hirsuta*

**2a. *Spondias lakonensis* var. *lakonensis***

岭南酸枣(原变种) ling nan suan zao (yuan bian zhong)

*Allospodias lakonensis* (Pierre) Stapf; *Poupartia chinensis* Merrill.

Leaf blade 25–35 cm; leaflet blade 6–10 × 1.5–3 cm, abaxially minutely pubescent along nerves and with tufts of hair in axils of lateral veins. Inflorescence paniculate, 15–25 cm, minutely grayish brown pubescent. Fl. May–Jun, fr. Sep–Dec.

Forests. Fujian, Guangdong, Guangxi, Hainan [Laos, Thailand, Vietnam].

**2b. *Spondias lakonensis* var. *hirsuta*** C. Y. Wu & T. L. Ming, Fl. Yunnan. 2: 374. 1979.

毛叶岭南酸枣 mao ye ling nan suan zao

Leaf blade 25–67 cm; leaflet blade 6–13 × 1.5–4 cm, with long hairs on both sides. Inflorescence paniculate, to 35 cm, grayish yellow tomentose. Fl. Apr–May, fr. Jun–Oct.

- Lowland forests. S and SE Yunnan (Hekou, Jinping, Mengla).

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