

Myrobalan extract

Botanical name	Terminalia (var.), esp. Terminalia chebula
Origin	India
Tanning classification	Hydrolysable (acidic former) tanning materials
Colour	red 1.5% / yellow 3.0%

Specifications (all values according to the filter method)

tanning content %	70 +/- 2.0
insolubles %	2.0
humidity %	8.0
non tanning %	18.0
pH (6.9° Bé)	3.0 +/- 0.5
ash %	3.0

Description

Terminalia chebula is a tree with a rounded crown and spreading branches. Its principle constituents contain chebulagic, chebulinic acid and corilagin. Its fruits have laxative, stomachic, tonic and alterative properties. It is also known as an adaptogen and hepatoprotective drug. The fruit is astringent, tonic, purgative, carminative, alterative, stomachic, febrifuge, antiasthmatic. It is used in hemorrhoids, ophthalmia, sore throat, dental caries, bleeding and ulcerated gums, and diseases of the spleen. Chebulin isolated from the dried fruits possesses antispasmodic activity resembling that of papaverine. The fruit is antiviral, coagulant and hypoglycemic. The prune-like tannin-containing fruit is also used in tanning and dyeing.

Application

Strongly slugging, Mainly for combination tannages. Gives softer leather.