Medicinal Plant Images

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Figure 1: *Adasonia digitata* (L.) Kuntze (commonly known as baobab) is widespread throughout the African continent, particularly in hot, dry sub-Saharan savannah environments. The tree has traditionally been used as a source of food, water and health remedies. In Southern Africa, the fruit pulp (or sometimes the bark) is mixed with water and used to treat fevers, diarrhoea and haemoptysis. In Western Africa, the bark and leaves have further uses as anti-inflammatory and diaphoretic agents. They also have uses as traditional remedies of urinary tract infections and diarrhoea. This photograph was taken in the northern part of Limpopo province, South Africa by Dr Ian Cock in January 2015.
Figure 2: Eucalyptus are iconic Australian medicinal plants and are possibly the most useful Australian plants commercially for their medicinal properties (including antimicrobial, insect repellent, pesticidal, anticough and decongestant bioactivities.4,5,6) Eucalyptus is a diverse genus of trees in the family Myrtaceae. Of the more than 700 species that comprise this genus, most are endemic to Australia. A smaller number are also native to New Guinea, Indonesia and the Philippines. Photograph taken in Brisbane, Australia by Dr Ian Cock.

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