

Laurel Fig

Common name: Laurel Fig, Indian Laurel, Chinese/Malayan banyan

Botanical name: *Ficus microcarpa*

Family: Moraceae

Name in Tamil: *Kallichchi*



Field identification: Large evergreen tree with few thick aerial roots, which do not reach ground but merge with main stem. Bark pale grey, smooth, milky latex. Leaves 8 cm long, glossy, oval, blunt, thick. Figs small, in pairs, yellow brown when ripe.

Location on Campus: 753, Allai Road backyard

References:

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