

TURKISH FOLK MEDICINAL PLANTS, PART V: BABAESKİ (KIRKLARELİ)

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S U M M A R Y

In this study, 62 folk medicinal plants from Babaeski (Kırklareli) are presented. Among them 46 species are wild and 16 species are cultivated plants. The folk medicinal plants are mostly used for the treatment of kidney, stomach and prostate ailments, rheumatism, cold, hemorrhoids, diabetes, asthma and bronchitis.

Ö Z E T

Bu çalışmada Babaeski yöresinde halk ilaçı olarak kullanılan 62 bitki sunulmuştur. Bunlardan 46 tür yabani ve 16 tür ise yörede yetişirilen bitkilerdir. Halk ilaçı olarak kullanılan bu bitkiler en çok böbrek ve mide rahatsızlıklarının giderilmesinde, soğuk algınlığı tedavisinde, hemoroidlere karşı, şeker hastalığı, astım, bronşit, prostat ve romatizma tedavisinde kullanılmaktadır.

Key words: Folk medicine; Medicinal plants; Babaeski; Kırklareli; Turkey.

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I N T R O D U C T I O N

Babaeski (Kırklareli) is located in the European part of Turkey . It covers an area of 652 km²(1) and its total population is 22.500 (2000). The majority of the population consists of Turkish immigrants come from Bulgaria.

The investigation area is covered mainly by vertisol (grumusol) soils (gently sloping, deep, slightly or non eroded soils), non calcic brown soils (gently sloping, deep, slightly or non eroded soils) and alluvial soils (2). The climate of the area is hot and dry in summer and cold and rainy in winter.

The agriculture of the various plants (sunflower, maize, grape, watermelon, cereal crops, leguminous plants, fodder plants etc.), agricultural industry and animal breeding (cattle, sheep, chicken) have an important role in the popular life in Babaeski.

According to our observations the forests of Babaeski consist of mainly deciduous oak trees.

There is no previous study about the folk medicinal plants of Babaeski.

M A T E R I A L A N D M E T H O D S

Five excursions were made for the field studies in Babaeski. This studies were carried out totally for 44 days. The information including the various data (local names, ailments and diseases treated, therapeutic effects, part(s) of plants used, methods of preparation, methods of administration, doses, duration of the treatment) were obtained from local healers, shepherds, experienced adults and patients between July 2001-June 2002. The interviews were carried out face to face and the data were recorded on our special forms prepared for this kind of investigations. The information was provided from 85 persons (73 men, 12 women) and most of the interviewees were more than 40 years old. In addition, some harmful effects of folk medicine, if declared, were also recorded.

The plant specimens, collected from the research area, are kept in the Herbarium of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Marmara University (MARE). Some botanical references (3-5) and our herbarium (MARE) were used for the identification of the plants.

During the field works, all the settlements (35 including 31 villages) were visited (Fig. 1). They are listed below, with a reference number for the record place of the local information.

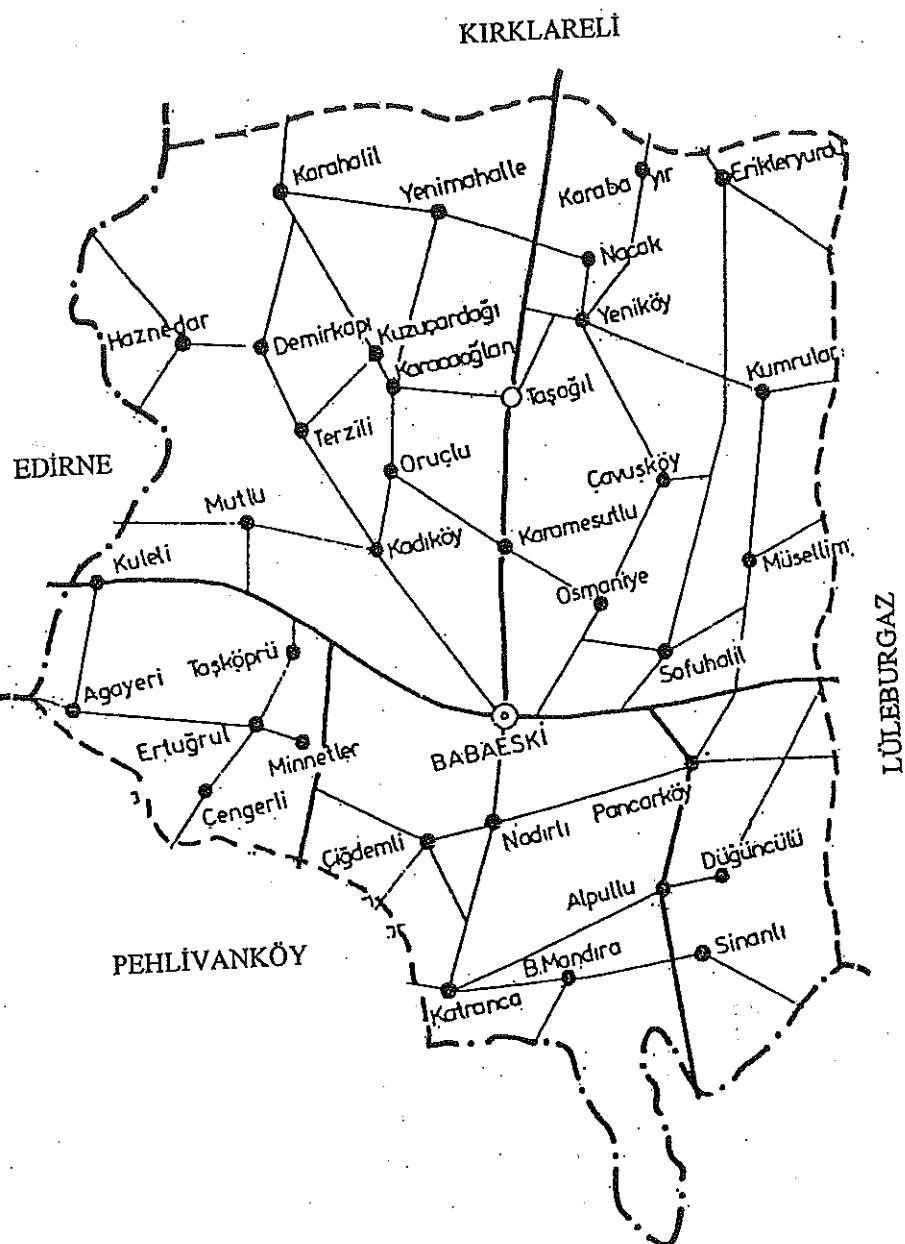


Figure 1: Map of the study area (Babaeski)

1. Alpullu (centre), 2. Büyükköy Mandıra (centre), 3. Karahalil (centre), 4. Sinanlı (centre)
5. Ağayeri, 6. Çavuşköy, 7. Çengerli, 8. Çiğdemli, 9. Demirkapı, 10. Düğündü, 11. Erikleriyer, 12. Ertuğrul, 13. Hazinedar, 14. Kadıköy, 15. Karabayır, 16. Karacaoğlan, 17. Karamesutlu, 18. Katranca, 19. Kuleli, 20. Kumrular, 21. Kuzuçardağı, 22. Minnetler, 23. Mutlu, 24. Müsellim, 25. Nacak, 26. Nadırı, 27. Oruçlu, 28. Osmaniye, 29. Pancarköy, 30. Sofuhalil, 31. Taşağıl, 32. Taşköprü, 33. Terzili, 34. Yeniköy, 35. Yenimahalle.

R E S U L T S A N D D I S C U S S I O N

During the study, 202 specimens declared to be used in therapy, were collected in the area. According to the results of the identifications of our plant specimens, 62 species are being used as folk medicine in Babaeski. Among them 46 species are wild and 16 species are cultivated plants. These are presented in Table 1 arranged in alphabetical order of their botanical names with the relevant information.

Cotinus coggyria, *Arum italicum*, *Anthemis austriaca*, *Matricaria chamomilla* var. *recutita*, *Ecballium elaterium*, *Hypericum perforatum*, *Paliurus spina-christi*, *Prunus spinosa* subsp. *dasyphylla*, *Urtica dioica* are the most popular plants used for the treatment of many ailments.

The folk medicinal plants are mostly used for kidney, stomach and prostate ailments, rheumatism, cold, hemorrhoids, diabetes, asthma and bronchitis. Decoction and infusion are the methods mostly used for the preparation of the folk medicine.

Hypericum perforatum is used not only in human but also in animal treatment. However, *Fraxinus angustifolia* subsp. *oxycarpa* and *Verbascum phlomoides* are used only in animal treatment.

Some cautions about the usage of some plants, declared by the people during the field studies, were also recorded : overdosing of the fruit juice of *Ecballium elaterium* and prolonged contact with the capitulum of *Matricaria chamomilla* var. *recutita* can be dangerous and therefore they should be used carefully.

Although *Centaurea solstitialis* subsp. *soltstitialis* has been formerly used in malaria treatment, it is not used today because this disease is not anymore present in the research area.

There is only one herbalist (in Alpullu) in the research area and he is a Turkish immigrant come from Bulgaria.

Table 1: Folk medicinal plants of Babaeski (Kırklareli)

Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Ailments treated / Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use / Record place
<i>Achillea crithmifolia</i> Waldst. & Kit. (Asteraceae), MARE 7040, 7048, 7287, 7975, 7987, 8000, 8025, 8026, 8032, 8093	Mavaslı otu, gizelnamus otu,	Inflorescence Capitulum Capitulum Inflorescence	Hemorrhoids Hemorrhoids Eczema Hair restorer	Decoction Infusion Decoction Decoction	Int. 1 x 1, before breakfast (5,7) Int.. 4 weeks (35) Int.. before breakfast (2) Ext. (1)
▲ <i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i> L. (Hippocastanaceae), MARE 7980	At kestanesi	Seed	Rheumatism	Decoction	Int. (26)
<i>Amygdalus communis</i> L. (Rosaceae), MARE 7981, 7984	Aci badem	Seed	Diabetes	—	Eaten, 3 seeds a day, before breakfast (3,23)
<i>Anthemis austriaca</i> Jacq. (Asteraceae), MARE 8030, 8035, 8091, 8092, 8107	Papaya	Capitulum Capitulum	Cold Immunostimulan	Infusion Decoction	Int. (3,14,18) Int. (2)
<i>Arum italicum</i> Miller (Araceae), MARE 7994, 8047, 8048, 8067, 8116	Yılanbastığı, yılanbıçağı	Tuber Fruits (ripe) Tuber (fresh) Tuber (fresh) Tuber (fresh)	Hemorrhoids Hemorrhoids Foot chaps, cracked nipple Eczema Eczema Liver diseases	Cut into little pieces — Cut into little pieces Cut into little pieces Cut into little pieces Cut into little pieces	Eaten (1,26,33) Eaten, 3-4 fruits a day, before breakfast 40 days (5) Int., 4-5 little pieces a day (2) Int., 4-5 little pieces a day (2) Int. (1) Int. 3 days (1)
<i>Bellis perennis</i> L. (Asteraceae), MARE 7959	Papatya	Capitulum	Anitusive, cold	Infusion	Int. (1)
▲ <i>Cannabis sativa</i> L. (Cannabaceae), MARE 8024, 8115	Kenevî, kendir	Whole plant Inflorescence (female, dried)	Headache (for children) Sedative	Crushed (+corn meal) —	Ext. (23) Smoked as cigarette (5)
<i>Centaurea cyanus</i> L. (Asteraceae), MARE 8044	Mavi sütlüğe çiçeği	Flowers Flowers Flowers	Kidney ailments Liver diseases Diarrhea Eye pains	Infusion Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. 3x1 (1) Int.. 3x1 (1) Int.. 3x1 (1) Eye bath (1)
<i>Centauraea solstitialis</i> L. subsp. <i>solstitialis</i> (Asteraceae), MARE 7043, 8001, 8061	Çakır dikeni	Flowers (fresh) Flowers (fresh)	Headache Malaria	Crushed Crushed	Int.. 2 tablets x 1 (23) Int.. used in tablets (12,19)
▲ <i>Cerasus avium</i> (L.) Moench (Rosaceae), MARE 7982	Kiraz	Fruit peduncles	Kidney ailments	Decoction	Int. (26)

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Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Parts used	Ailments treated / Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use / Record place
<i>Datura stramonium</i> L. (Solanaceae). MARE 8042, 8211, 8212; 8210	Tatila, enlu, mandisk	Leaves (dried) Seeds Flowers (dried) Seeds	Asthma Asthma Toothache	Decoction Decoction	Smoked as cigarette (5.1) Int., 1x1 (3) Smoked as cigarette (26.32) Gargle (1)
<i>Ecdallium elizetianum</i> (L.) A. Rich. (Cucurbitaceae). MARE 7034	Akavun, yaban kavun, yājānanda	Fruit juice Fruit juice Fruit juice Fruit juice Fruits and roots Fruits and roots Fruits (fresh) Fruits (seedless)	Sinusitis Tetanus Tetanus Tetanus Hemorrhoids Hemorrhoids Eczea, scurfing[1] Arthritis Rheumatism Rheumatism Wound	- Kneaded (+barley meal) (+ lemon juice) (+ olive oil) Kneaded (+barley meal) Decoction (+sugar) Decoction (+mugat) Decoction (15-20 drops into a glass of water) Crushed Kept in ethyl alcohol, 6 months Oint	Dropped into the nostrils (5.14.23.26) Dropped into the nostrils, used cold (5.18) Int., 2x1 tablets after meals (23) Dropped into the nostrils (2) Ext. (2) Int., 2x1 tablets, after meals (23) Int., before meals (18) Int., before meals (18) Int., 2x6 Ext. (10) Ext. (7.34) Ext. (23)
▲ <i>Bleedingia angustifolia</i> L. (Elaeagnaceae). MARE 8090	Iğde	Fruits	Urinary diseases, kidney ailments	Decoction	Int. (33)
<i>Fernago confusa</i> Vélen. (Apiaceae). MARE 8038	Çayıru	Inflorescence	Liver diseases Gall bladder ailments	Decoction Decoction	Int. (33) Int. (33)
▲ <i>Fraxinus angustifolia</i> Vahl. subsp. <i>oxycarpa</i> (Bebc ex Willd.) Franco & Rocha Afonso	Dibudak, disibnaḡ	Branches (peeled)	Chicken diseases	-	Int. (30)
▲ <i>Helianthus tuberosus</i> L. (Asteraceae). MARE 8025, 8108	Yer, elması	Tubers (peeled)	Diabetes	-	Extern (1.14)
▲ <i>Hibiscus syriacus</i> L. (Malvaceae). MARE 7036	Hanım, gülhami, fanach, şic̄ē	Flowers	Bronchitis	Decoction	Int. (16)
<i>Hyperticum perforatum</i> L. (Hypericaceae). MARE 7065; 8019; 8127; 7960, 8128; 8020; 8124, 7278; 8140; 7966; 8105; 8141, 8125	Kantron, kangran on	Aerial parts Flowers Flowers Flowers (fresh)	Prostate ailments Kidney ailments Cystitis Diarrhea Wound (for human and animals) Arthritis	Decoction Infusion Decoction Decoction Oint	Int., before breakfast (12) Int. (11) Int. (1) Int. (1) Ext. (1.13.24) Ext. (1)

Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Ailments treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use/ Record place
▲ <i>Juglans regia</i> L. (Juglandaceae), MARE 8074, 804	Ceviz	Flowers Flowers (fresh) Flowers (fresh)	Stomach ailments Lung cancer Hemasthenosis Rheumatism Myalgia, arthralgia	Infusion Decoction Oleat Oleat	Int., before meals (1,11,16) Int. (1) Int. (1) Ext. (1) Ext. (1)
<i>Juniperus oxycedrus</i> L. subsp. <i>oxycedrus</i> (Cupressaceae), MARE 7059, 8123	Ardic	Seed Leaves (fresh) Cones Cones	Menstrual pain Antidiaphoretic (foot) Diabetes Prostate ailments	Decoction — Decoction Infusion	Eaten, 3 seeds a day (12) Steam bath (11) Put into shoes (25) Int., before breakfast (20) Int., (20)
<i>Malva sylvestris</i> L. (Malvaceae), MARE 8086, 8098, 8037, 7990, 8119	Ebergünç	Aerial parts Flowers and leaves Flowers and leaves Leaves (fresh)	Cold, antitussive Liver diseases Gastro-intestinal ailments Stomach ailments	Infusion Infusion Infusion (+lemon juice, olive oil)	Int. (1,26,35) Int. (1) Int. (1) Int. (16)
<i>Marrubium peregrinum</i> L. (Lamiaceae), MARE 7286	Kedibarsağı otu, kayıksıran otu	Aerial parts Aerial parts	Cold Immunostimlan Abdominal pain	Decoction Decoction	Int., used cold (14) Int., used cold (14)
<i>Matricaria chamomilla</i> L. var. <i>recutita</i> (L.) Grierson (Asteraceae), MARE 8029, 8117, 8031	Papatya	Capitulum Capitulum Capitulum Capitulum	Rheumatism Cold Earache (for children) Antipyretic	Crushed Infusion Infusion	Ext., wrapped in a cloth (26) Int. (10,26) Dropped into ear (23) Int. (10)
<i>Melissa officinalis</i> L. (Lamiaceae), MARE 7299, 8139, 7971, 8129	Oğan otu	Leaves Leaves Leaves Leaves	<i>Arteriosclerosis</i> Sedative Arthritic Cancer	Decoction Infusion Decoction Infusion	Int., before breakfast (3) Int., 2x1 (morning-evening) (1)
<i>Mentha pulegium</i> L. (Lamiaceae), MARE 8216, 8217, 8219, 8220	Yaban naneşi	Leaves Aerial parts	Lung cancer, stomach cancer Constipation	Infusion	Int. (1) Int. (3) Int. (1)
▲ <i>Mesprilia germanica</i> L. (Rosaceae), MARE 7998, 8064	Muşmula	Leaves Calyx (on fruit)	Abdominal pain Stomach Cold, bronchitis	Decoction Decoction	Int., 2x1 (1)
▲ <i>Morus alba</i> L. (Moraceae), MARE 7047, 8069	Dut	Leaves	Antihypertensive Kidney ailments	Decoction	Int. (2,30) Int. (1)
<i>Pulicaria spinosa-christi</i> Miller (Rhamnaceae), MARE 8053, 8132, 8072, 7978, 7060	Karaçalı	Fruits Fruits Roots	Diabetes Stomachache Arthralgia Kidney stones	Decoction Decoction Decoction	Int. (16) Int. (7,13) Int. (26) Int. (26)

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Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Ailments treated/Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use/ Record place
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i> L. (Papaveraceae), MARE 8043, 8057, 8106	Gelinlik	Fruits Inflorescence Flowers Fruits	Kidney ailments Kidney stones Hemorrhoids Blood pressure regulator	Decoction Decoction Decoction Decoction	Int. (1,16) Int. (16) Int. (14,20) Int. (10)
▲ <i>Pinus sylvestris</i> L. (Pinaceae), MARE 7289, 7967	Can	Flowers Flowers Flowers Flowers	Antisettive Nocturnal enuresis (for children) Antiaromatic, antispasmodic Measuration regulator Diarrhea	Infusion Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. (1,3) Int. (1) Int. (1) Int. (1) Int. (1)
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i> L. subsp. <i>terebinthus</i> (Anacardiaceae), MARE 7053, 8010, 8009	Tere, tere	Leaves	Stomachache	Decoction	Eaten (33) Int. (33)
<i>Plantago major</i> L. subsp. <i>major</i> (Plantaginaceae), MARE 7050	Sıhırli ot	Leaves (fresh)	Boil	Slightly heated	Ext. (10,24)
<i>Prunus spinosa</i> L. subsp. <i>dasyphylla</i> (Solanum) Domínguez, MARE 7974, 7957, 7064, 7277	Given, trúka	Fruits (fresh)	Asthma	Kept in alcohol, for 30-40 days (in dark) Kept in alcohol, for 30-40 days (in dark)	Int. (29) Int. (29)
<i>Pyrus dulcana</i> Kuthath & Schob. (Rosaceae), MARE 7985, 8622, 7917, 8621	Aflat	Fruits (fresh) Fruit juice Stem bark	Bronchitis Diabetes Diabetes	Decoction Decoction Marmalade	Int. (14,20) Int. (21) Int. (13)
<i>Quercus petraea</i> (Mattuschka) Liebl. subsp. <i>berita</i> (Steven ex Bibr.) Krasslin. (Fagaceae), MARE 8104	Mesje	Stem bark	Diarrhea	Decoction	Int. (53)
<i>Ranunculus aquatilis</i> Ten. (Ranunculaceae), MARE 8017	Dügün çiçeği	Aerial parts	Rheumatism	Crushed	Ext. (5)
<i>Rose carina</i> L. (Rosaceae), MARE 7969, 7989, 7280, 7038, 8009, 8112, 8036, 7992, 7991	Kuşburnu, şırka	Hypanthium Hypanthium Hypanthium Hypanthium Hypanthium	Stomach ailments Hemorrhoids Diabetes Kidney ailments Cold Atherosclerosis	Decoction Crushed Decoction Decoction Decoction Decoction	Int. (23) Eaten, 1 week (2) Int. (35) Int. before breakfast (15,30) Int. (35) Int. (11,23) Int. (3)
<i>Rubus canescens</i> DC. var. <i>glaberrimus</i> (Godron) Davis & Meikle (Rosaceae), MARE 8135, 8142	Büren, karantuk, malina	Roots Roots	Hemorrhoids Kidney ailments	Decoction Decoction	Int. (4) Int. (23)

Table 1 (Continued)

Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Aliments treated/Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use/ Record place
<i>Rubus discolor</i> Waine & Nees (Rosaceae), MARE 8136, 8213, 8133, 8214, 8142	Bortlen, karamik, malina	Roots Roots	Kidney ailments Bronchitis	Decoction Decoction	Int. (23-26) Int. (3)
<i>Rubus sanctus</i> Schreber (Rosaceae), MARE 7281	Bortlen, bubucuk	Roots	Bronchitis	Decoction	Int. (3)
<i>Sambucus ebulus</i> L. (Caprifoliaceae), MARE 7279, 8068, 7051, 7042, 8075, 7958, 8006, 8083	Sultan otu, biza	Leaves (dried) Leaves (dried) Fruits (ripe) Roots Peduncles Leaves Fruits (ripe) Leaves (fresh) Peduncles Roots	Wound Burn Hemorrhoids Rheumatism Rheumatism Hypertensive Eczema, antifungal Poisonous insect-bite Sterility (woman) Nocturnal enuresis (for children)	Powdered Powdered Boiled in water, crushed Decoction Decoction — Decoction Decoction	Ext. (23) Ext. (23) Eaten, before breakfast (1,7,10,24) Ext. (16,20) Bath (33) Int. (14) Eaten, 3-4 fruits x1 , 2 days (10) Ext. (1) Steam bath (1) Int. (1)
<i>Sorghum halepense</i> (L.) Pers. var. <i>halense</i> (Poaceae), MARE 7046	Kanyası, kanyaş oru	Rhizomes	Kidney stones	Decoction	Int., 3x1, before meals (32)
<i>Taraxacum pseudobrachyglossum</i> Van Soest (Asteraceae), MARE 7036, 7961	Karahindiba onu	Roots	Kidney stones Antipyretic	Decoction Decoction	Int., before breakfast, 15-20 days (1)
<i>Thymus longicaulis</i> C. Presl subsp. <i>longicaulis</i> var. <i>subisophyllus</i> (Borbás) Jalas (Lamiaceae), MARE 7952, 8016, 8041, 8089, 8015	Kekit, keklik onu, çobırısa	Whole plant. Whole plant Whole plant Whole plant	Diabetes Antirrhitic Stomach ailments Sedative Cancer	Decoction Decoction (+honey) Decoction Decoction Infusion	Int. (12) Int. (1) Int. (11) Ext. (23) Int. (10)
▲ <i>Tilia argentea</i> Desf. ex DC. (Tiliaceae), MARE 7062, 8023, 8022, 8113	Ihamur	Flowers Flowers Flowers	Cold Bronchitis (for children) Stomachic	Infusion Infusion Infusion	Int. (18) Int. (24) Int. (32)

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Botanical name and voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Aliment/ treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use / Record place
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i> L. (Zygophyllaceae), MARE 8218, 7039, 7052, 8215, 8109	Cobançıkerten, çobançıkardau, çobançıkerten, domuz diken, mutlu pürağı	Aerial parts Aerial parts Fruits Flowers Fruits Fruits Fruits	Stomachache Diuretic Diuretic Asthma Asthma Kidney ailments High cholesterol Arteriosclerosis	Decoction Decoction Decoction Infusion Decoction Decoction Decoction Decoction	Int., before breakfast (8) Int. (10) Int., before breakfast (1) Int. (23) Int. (1) Int., 1x1, before breakfast (1) Int., before breakfast (1) Int., before breakfast (1)
<i>Typha latifolia</i> L. (Typhaceae), MARE 8143	Saz	Flowers (female)	Burn	—	Ext. (26)
<i>Urtica dioica</i> L. (Urticaceae), MARE 7276, 8110, 7955, 8034, 8095, 7049, 7988, 7964, 8094, 7035, 8118	Isırgan, kopriva, kopriva	Leaves (fresh, young) Leaves (fresh) Leaves and fruits Leaves Leaves (fresh, young) Leaves Roots Aerial parts (dried)	Diabetes Diabetes Diabetes Diabetes Bronchitis Bronchitis Asthma Asthma Kidney ailments Prostate ailments Hemorrhoids Hemorrhoids Inflamed wounds Stomach ailments Intestinal ailments Arteriosclerosis Arthralgia	Cooked (+ olive oil, tomato sauce, water) Decoction Decoction Infusion Cooked (+ olive oil, tomato sauce, water) Decoction Decoction Decoction Smoked as cigarette (15) Int. (3-18) Int., 3-4x1 (12) Int. (2,3,4) Ext. (3) Ext. (7) Int., before breakfast (2) Int., before breakfast (3,13) Int., 1-2x1, before breakfast (13) Ext. (2)	Eaten (26) Int. (26) Int., used cold, before breakfast (14) Eaten (16) Int. (3) Int., before breakfast (2,14) Smoked as cigarette (15) Int. (3-18) Int., 3-4x1 (12) Int. (2,3,4) Ext. (3) Ext. (7) Int., before breakfast (2) Int., before breakfast (3,13) Int., 1-2x1, before breakfast (13) Ext. (2)
<i>Verbascum macrorhizon</i> Ten. (Scrophulariaceae), MARE 8100, 8101, 8040, 821, 8099	Sığırçırığı, atkıuryağı	Flowers Flowers Flowers	Lung diseases Hemorrhoids Diabetes Wound (for animal)	Infusion Infusion Infusion Decoction	Int., 3x1, 15-20 days (1) Int. (3) Int. (33) Ext. (26)
<i>Verbascum phoeniceum</i> L. (Scrophulariaceae), MARE 8120 ▲ <i>Vicia faba</i> L.	Sığırçırığı	Flowers	Kidney stones	Infusion	Int., before breakfast (30,35)
<i>Vicia faba</i> L. (Fabaceae), MARE 8005	Bakla	Flowers	—	—	—

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Botanical name and Voucher specimen	Local names	Part(s) used	Alliments treated/ Therapeutic effect	Preparations	Mode of use/ Record place
<i>Viscum album</i> L. subsp. <i>album</i> (Loranthaceae), MARE 8049	-	Whole plant	Diabetes	Decoction	Int., before breakfast (7)
<i>Vitis sylvestris</i> Gmelin (Vitaceae), MARE 7283	Yabani astma, ak asma	Branches (fresh)	Arthralgia	Heated	Ext. (9)
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i> L. subsp. <i>cavananillesii</i> (Schouw.) D. Löve & P. Danzereau (Asteraceae), MARE 7290	Purak	Fruits	Diuretic, diaphoretic	Decoction	Int., 1 spoonful x1, before breakfast (24)
▲ <i>Zea mays</i> L. subsp. <i>mays</i> (Poaceae), MARE 8623	Misir	Styles Styles Styles Styles Styles	Diuretic Kidney ailments Nephritis Kidney stones Nephritis Prostate ailments	Infusion Infusion Decoction Infusion Infusion Decoction	Int. (26) Int. x1, used cold, before breakfast (11) Int., 2x1, before breakfast, 15-20 days (1,11) Int., 2x1, before breakfast, 15-20 days (1) Int., before breakfast, 1 week (2)

▲ Cultivated plant; + mixed with; Int = internal use; Ext = external use; 1x1= once a day, 2x1= twice a day; it means 1 glass of decoction or infusion, unless otherwise (e.g. spoonful, drop) indicated.

In the European part of Turkey, there is only one published ethnobotanical study which was made in Tekirdağ (6) neighboring our locality. This study was compared with our study and as a result 13 folk medicinal plants are the same. Among them the usages of ten taxa (*Cotinus coggyria*, *Sambucus ebulus*, *Ecballium elaterium*, *Cynodon dactylon* var. *dactylon*, *Hypericum perforatum*, *Malva sylvestris*, *Paliurus spina-christi*, *Prunus spinosa* subsp. *dasyphylla*, *Rosa canina*, *Tribulus terrestris*) are similar in both localities. This prove that these plants are used in many more places in European Turkey than the others.

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