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*Casuarina equisetifolia* L.

**Family:** Casuarinaceae

**Common name:** Horsetail she-oak

**Vernacular name:** കാറ്റാടിമരം

**Nativity:** India to W. Pacific

**Habit:** Tree

**Habitat:** Human Altered Environments including yards, roadsides

**IUCN Status:** Least Concerned

**Keynotes:** *Casuarina equisetifolia* is an evergreen tree and has a conifer-like appearance. The foliage of this perennial plant consists of slender, much branched green to grey-green twigs, bearing minute scale-leaves in whorls of 6 to 8. The flowers are produced in small catkin-like inflorescences. It is monoecious, with male and female flowers produced on the same tree

**Uses:** Uses include house posts, rafters, electric poles, tool handles, oars, wagon wheels and mine props. Tannin or dyestuff: The bark contains 6-18% tannin and has been used extensively in Madagascar for tanning purposes.



## References

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