



***Opuntia elatior* Mill.**

Family: Cactaceae

Common name: Prickly pear

Local name: Chhitter

Importance:

- Prickly pear is widely used as folk medicine for burns and indigestion.
- Fruits are recommended as an expectorant and remedy for whooping cough, asthma, gonorrhoea, ulcers, tumors, treatment of diarrhoea and syphilis.
- The natural extract is useful for alcohol hangovers and the plant's gel-like sap is often used as a hair conditioner.