

Coffea Arabica: coffee originally from Arabia and Ethiopia but now grown in Brazil).

C. liberica coffee spp

C. robusta coffee

Nauclea latifolia (Ewe egbesi)

Morindia incidia (Ewe oniyo)

Compositae: sunflower family

Common species include sunflower

Heliathus annus, *crassocephalum rubens* (Efo ebo)

Other important Dicotyledonous families

1. *Amaranthaceae*, *Anacardiaceae*, *Asclepiadaceae*, *Bombacaceae*, *Connaraceae*, *Guttiferae*,
Labiatae, *Loganiaceae*, *Myrtaceae*, *Ochnaceae*, *Tiliaceae*, *Rutaceae*, *Ulmaceae*.

Amaranthaceae

Common species: *Amaranthus hybridus*

Subsp. *Cruentus* (from *A. caudatus*)- spinach

Celosis argentea soko

Vernonia amygyalina (Iguu)

Common species

Anacardium occidentale (cashew nut)

Mangifera indica (Indian mango)

Spondias mombin (Iyeye)

Asclepiadaceae

Bombacaceae

Common species are

Adansonia digitata (Baba)

Ceiba pentandra (white silk cotton)- Araba

Bambacaceae

Bambusa vulgaris (oparun)

Labiataceae

Ocimum gratissimum (Efirin)

Rutaceae

Contains the genus citrus, which orange, lemon, lime and grapefruit

Belong e.g. *Citrus paradisa* (grape fruit)

Citrus sinensis (sweet orange)

Citrus aurantium (lime orange)

Citrus reticulata (Tangerines)

Monocotyledonous families

1. Liliaceae
2. Marantaceae
3. Zingiberaceae
4. Commelinaceae
5. Araceae
6. Amaryllidaceae
7. Palmae
8. Orchidaceae

9. Cyperaceae

10. Gramineae

(Poaceae)

Liliaceae

Family of perennial herbs with rhizomes, bulbs, corms or tubers.

Aloe, Onions, garlic belong here

Marantaceae

Yoruba soft-cane ; Marantochloa cuspitate

Belongs here.

Zingiberaceae

Common species are

Canna-lily,

Zingiber officinale (ginger).

Commelinaceae

(After the genus commelia, named after brother commelin, 17th Century Dutch botanist e.g. commelina spp. (day flower) most are weedy.

Araceae: cocoyam family

After the genus Arum, the ancient latin name for the genus

Common species are

Pistia sp. Eg P. stratiotes (floating plant)

Cocoyams eg

Colocasia esculenta (old Africa cocoyam)

Xanthosoma sagittifolia (New American cocoyam)

Amaryllidaceae: - Harmattan lily family

(After the genus *Amaryllis*, a Greek name for a woman and implying beauty).

Common species are

Hippeastrum equestre (Harmattan lily)

Hymenocallis littoralis (spider-lily)

Palmae (palm family)

Common species

Coconut palm (*Cocos nucifera*)-introduced

Roystonea regia (Cuban Royal palm)

Oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis*)

Raphia palm (*Raphia sudanica*)

Date palm (*Phoenix dactylifera*)

Orchidaceae- orchid family

Ornamental plants

Cyperaceae- sedge family

Grass-like herbs (nut grasses)

(Poaceae) Gramineae- Grass family

Common species are

Pennisetum americanum (millet)

Oryza sativa (rice)

Saccharum officinarum (sugar-cane)

Sorghum bicolor (form *S. vulgare*)-guinea corn

Zea-mays (maize)

Andropogon tectorum Gamba grass

Panicum maximum (Guinea grass)

Pennisetum purpureum (elephant grass)

Triticum durum : wheat

Hordeum vulgare: barley

Avena: oat

Discareaceae

Discorea cavenensis (Ewe ipepe)

Mytaceae

Psidium guajava (Ewe guaga)

Potulaceae

Tallum triagulase (Efo Gbure)