



ETHNOBOTANY OF LOCAL FOODSTUFF PLANTS USED BY BUGBUG COMMUNITY IN KARANGASEM, BALI, INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

The aims of this research were (1) Reveal to the diversity of local foodstuff plants utilized by Bugbug community; (2) to analyze traditional knowledge of local foodstuffs plants of Bugbug community; (3) to analyze the Use Value (UV) and Index Cultural Significance (ICS) of local foodstuffs plants. The research was conducted in Bugbug Karangasem, Bali, from January 2021-March 2021. Data were collected using qualitative methods, semi-structured interviews, moderate participation observation, and documentation. Key informants were selected using purposive and snowball sampling to obtain ten key informants and 48 respondents. The use value of plants is calculated by UV, cultural importance with ICS. The level of traditional knowledge was measured by the Phillips and Gentry equations and analyzed by the Kruskal Wallis and Mann Whitney Test. The traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants was calculated using the Phillips and Gentry equations and analyzed with the Kruskal Wallis and Mann Whitney Test. Traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants between age groups is different. Meanwhile, knowledge between genders is not different. The diversity of local foodstuff plants in Bugbug Village is 126 species, 47 families, the most families being Musaceae. The high diversity of plants found is caused by specific ecosystems from hilly areas and beaches. The most widely used part of the plant is the fruit. Most plant habitus is an herb. Herbs are easy to grow in various locations and are found in semi-wild status. The highest plant use value and ICS are *Arenga pinnata* L.

Keywords: *Bali Aga*, ethnobotany, local food stuffs plant, traditional knowledge

INTRODUCTION

The use of plants, each region in the Republic of Indonesia has its local wisdom which is the hallmark of its people. The daily life of local people depends on the rich diversity of plants, especially local foodstuff plants. Food plants are anything that grows, lives, has stems and roots, is environmentally friendly which, can be eaten directly or in advance (Apriliani et al., 2014). Foodstuff plants in ethnobotany research embezzlement become staple food,

vegetables, fruit, food additives, drinks, and seasonings (Sujarwo & Caneva, 2016). Various factors influencing local communities in choosing food ingredients include availability in nature, culture, taste, and nutritional value so that variations in food ingredients are found between community groups (Purba, 2015). Community interactions with plants have been passed down from generation to generation to produce traditional knowledge

of plant diversity. This knowledge is determined by interactions, processes, and

attitudes to the use of plants by the community (Elisa *et al.*, 2015)

The traditional knowledge of Bugbug community about the use and processing of foodstuffs is currently experiencing degradation due to the emergence of modern food in society. This is due to various factors, including information and technology sophistication, the presence of modern food (Sujarwo *et al.*, 2014), various foodstuffs are becoming increasingly difficult to find (Purba *et al.*, 2015), and lack of nutritional value information (Pawera *et al.*, 2020). Traditional knowledge is one of the Indonesian heritage and the young generation is one of the parties contributing to traditional knowledge loss.

The loss of traditional knowledge in the young generation occurs in several countries, including Africa (Fongod *et al.*, 2014), North America (Vásquez *et al.*, 2016), and the Semende tribe (Wiryono *et al.*, 2019). The youth's poor traditional knowledge mainly results from an inadequate education system that fails to maintain local knowledge inherited from their ancestors (Khastini *et al.*, 2019). Loss of traditional knowledge is one of the main factors that threaten biodiversity conservation (Ju *et al.*, 2013). Loss of botanical knowledge causes food insecurity and triggers diseases such as diabetes, and threatens community-based conservation efforts (Aswani *et al.*, 2018). Efforts that can be made to prevent the loss of the community's traditional knowledge are by documenting and exploring the potential for diversity of local plants, especially local foodstuffs. Ethnobotany is a tool for documenting community knowledge about

using plants for food, buildings, dyes, traditional ceremonies, and medicine (Tamalene *et al.*, 2016; Mesfin *et al.*, 2018). Ethnobotany is very important for the conservation of biodiversity and for meeting the needs for food, health, and culture (Pieroni *et al.*, 2014).

The Bugbug Indigenous Village community is an agricultural society of 12 traditional hamlets in the Karangasem sub-district. At the beginning of the history of the formation of the Bugbug community, they lived as nomads or moved around, but now they live sedentary lives by farming. Agrarian communities spend most of their time interacting with plants individually and socially so that they have traditional knowledge about the use and management of plants. Bugbug Village has a hilly area (Sang Hyang Ambu Hill, Gumang Hill, and Asah Hill) and a coastal area (Candidasa) which is a tourist area.

The region's uniqueness with a specific ecosystem determines the local knowledge of the community. Each ethnic group grows according to the uniqueness of the region, the availability of natural resources, and its culture (Suryadarma, 2017). As a tourist area, local foodstuff has potential and can be developed to support the tourism economy in the Bugbug Village area. It is a unique and valuable differentiation source used to enhance the tourist. For this reason, it is essential to carry out an ethnobotanical study on the diversity of local foodstuff plants in Bugbug Village, Karangasem, Bali.

Regency, ± 8 km from the regency city and ± 76 km from Denpasar (Figure 1). The altitude is 42 - 500 above sea level, the temperature is 28-32°C. It is a lowland, with part of the area being a beach. Bugbug Village is an agricultural village dominated

METHODS

Research Sites

The research time is January 2021-March 2021 in Bugbug Village, located in Karangasem District, Karangasem

by wetland agriculture (rice fields). Paddy field area is 126.96 Ha, dry land is 756.89 Ha.

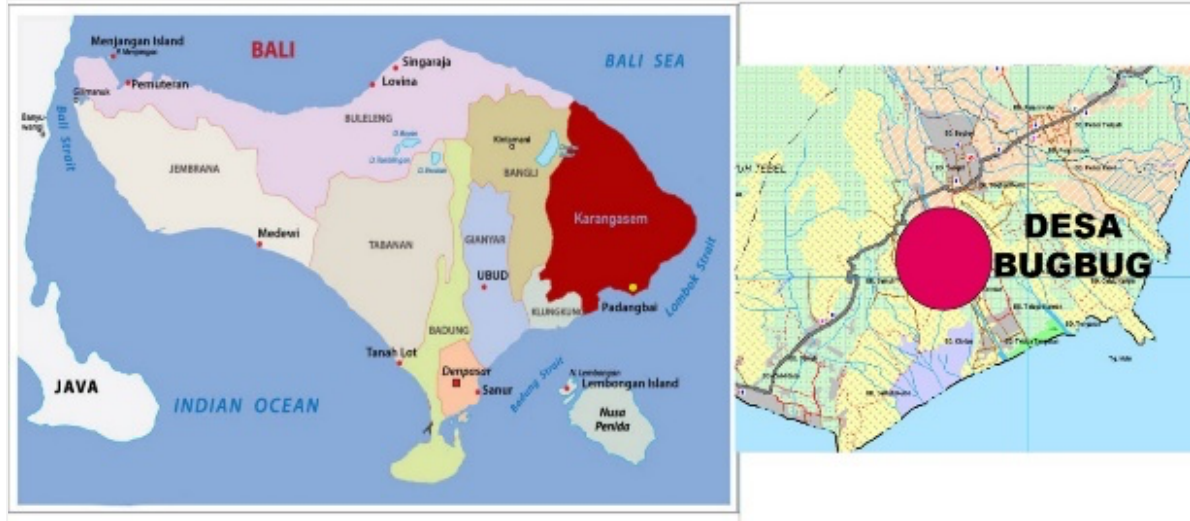


Figure 1. Map of the location of Bugbug community in Karangasem Subdistrict, Karangasem District, Bali, Indonesia

Data Collections

Ethnobotany data were collected through semi-structured interviews, observation, and documentation. Key informants and respondents were obtained by Purposive Sampling and Snowball Sampling. Key informants were selected by the village head, community leaders, and researchers. Furthermore, using the snowball sampling technique, which is carried out in sequence by asking for information from people who have been interviewed or contacted before (Hariyadi & Ticktin, 2012). Respondent selection criteria were grouped based on age 17-30 years (adolescents), 31-50 years (adults), and > 50 years (elderly) in each age group of 16 people so that 48 respondents were obtained.

Data Analysis

The data obtained were analyzed using qualitative and quantitative approaches. The qualitative data analysis was carried out in a

narrative descriptive manner and presented as tables and graphs. Quantitative analysis is:

1) To measure the level of respondent's ethnobotanical knowledge according to age group using the Phillips and Gentry equation (1993a), namely:

$$M_{gj} = 1/n \sum V_i$$

Where:

M_{gj} = average level of ethnobotanical knowledge of group j ;

n = number of members in group j ;

V_i = total traditional knowledge of member i of group j ;

J = Age

Testing the significance of factors affecting the level of knowledge of local foodstuff plants with non-parametric statistics with a significant level of 0.05, namely: 1) Kruskal Wallis test, testing differences in knowledge between age groups; 2) Mann Whitney test, testing differences in knowledge between genders

2) Calculation of Use Value (UV)

The UV calculation for each plant species is calculated based on the following formula:

$$U_{vs} = \sum U_{vis} / i_s$$

Where:

U_{vs} = use value of species s as a whole

U_{vis} = use value of species s determined by informant i .

i_s = total number of respondents interviewed for type s

Source: Kayani et al., (2015).

3) Calculation of the Index of Cultural Significance (ICS)

Index of Cultural Significance used a more in-depth data analysis for the utilization of each plant species from Purwanto (2003). Index of Cultural Significance is the result of quantitative ethnobotanical analysis showing Index of Cultural Significance is the result of quantitative ethnobotanical analysis showing the importance values of each useful plant species based on community needs. The ICS calculation results show the

level of importance of each beneficial plant species by the community. To calculate ICS is done with the following equation:

$$ICS = \sum_{i=1}^n (q \times i \times e) / n_i$$

Where:

ICS : Index of Cultural Significance

q : Quality value

I : Intensity value

e : Exclusivity value

The plants were collected with the informants and then identified by matching with the herbarium specimen of the Bali Botanical Garden, the picture on the flora book, and images on plantNet. Their scientific names were verified using online sources (e.g theplantlist.org)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Diversity of Local Foodstuff Plants

As many as 126 local foodstuff plant species are spread over 47 families, with the most family being Musaceae (Figure 2). The diversity of local foodstuff Plants can be seen in Table 1.

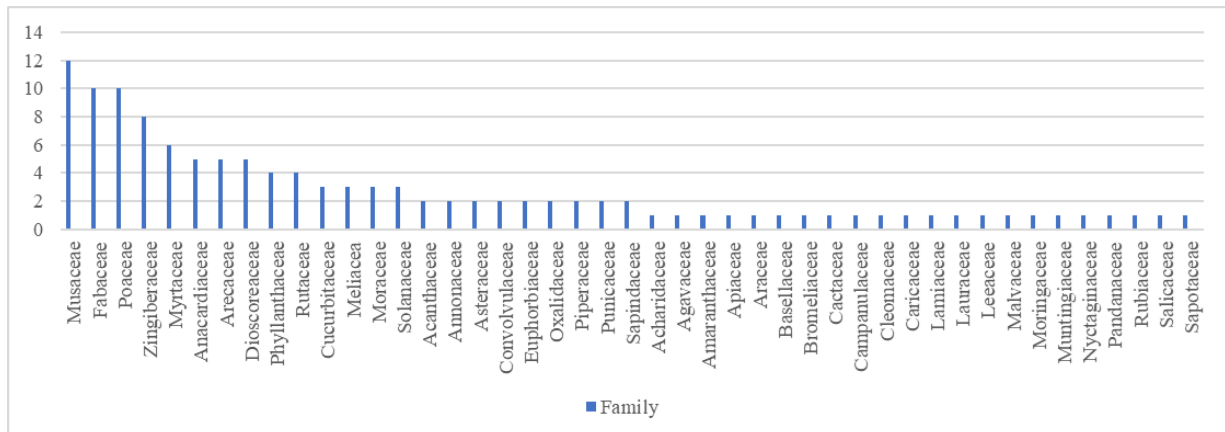


Figure 2. Family of Foodstuff Plants used by Bugbug Community in Karangasem, Bali

Table 1. The Diversity of Local Foodstuff Plants Used by The Bugbug Community

| Family/Scientific Name | Local Name | Plant Parts | Habitus | Cultivation Status | UV | ICS |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------|---------|--------------------|-----|-----|
| Acanthaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Gratophyllum pictum</i> L. | Don temen | leaf | shrub | SW | 0.5 | 26 |

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|--|----------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|------|-----|
| <i>Acanthus ilicifolius</i> L. | Jaruju | fruit | herb | W | 0.26 | 6 |
| Achariaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Pangium edule</i> Reinw. | Pangi | seed | tree | W | 0.24 | 36 |
| Agavaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Dracaena marginata</i> Lam. | Kayu sugih | leaf | tree | SW | 0.93 | 30 |
| Amaranthaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Amaranthus hybridus</i> L. | Bayem | leaf | herb | SW | 0.82 | 6 |
| Anacardiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Anacardium occidentale</i> L. | Nyambu mente | fruit, seed | tree | C | 0.82 | 6 |
| <i>Mangifera caesia</i> Jack. | Wani | fruit | tree | W | 0.06 | 6 |
| <i>Mangifera indica</i> L. | Poh manalagi | fruit | tree | SW | 0.53 | |
| <i>Mangifera indica</i> L. | Poh arum manis | fruit | tree | SW | 0.53 | 6 |
| <i>Mangifera indica</i> L. | Poh Madu | leaf, fruit | tree | SW | 0.53 | 6 |
| <i>Spondias pinnata</i> L. | Kecemcem | leaf | shrub | W | 0.46 | 10 |
| Annonaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Annona muricata</i> L. | Srikaya | fruit | shrub | SW | 0.63 | 22 |
| <i>Annona squamosa</i> L. | Silik | fruit | shrub | SW | 0.46 | 10 |
| Apiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Centella asiatica</i> L. | Piduh | leaf | herb | W | 0.36 | 16 |
| Araceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Colocasia esculenta</i> Schott. | Kaumbang | leaf, tubers | herb | W | 0.83 | 30 |
| Arecaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Arenga pinnata</i> Merr | Jaka | fruit | tree | W | 1 | 55 |
| <i>Cocos nucifera</i> L. | Nyuh barak | fruit | tree | C | 0.82 | 31 |
| <i>Cocos nucifera</i> L. | Nyuh gading | fruit | tree | SW | 0.82 | 31 |
| <i>Cocos nucifera</i> L. | Nyuh gadang | fruit | tree | C | 0.82 | 31 |
| <i>Salacca zalacca</i> L. | Salak | fruit | tree | C | 0.7 | 12 |
| Asteraceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Blumea balsamifera</i> (L) DC. | Sembung | leaf | herb | SW | 0.53 | 6 |
| <i>Pluchea indica</i> L. | Baluntas | leaf | herb | SW | 0.24 | 6 |
| Basellaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Anredera cordifolia</i> (Ten) Steenis | Binahong barak | leaf | herb | SW | 0.24 | 12 |
| Bromeliaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Ananas comosus</i> Mer. | Manas | fruit | herb | SW | 0.53 | 18 |
| Cactaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Hylocereus polyrhizus</i> | Buah Naga | fruit | herb | SW | 0.56 | 18 |
| Campanulaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Garcinia mangostana</i> L. | Manggis | fruit | tree | SW | 0.66 | 16 |
| Cleomaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Cleome rutidosperma</i> DC | Buangit | leaf, flower | herb | W | 0.3 | 12 |
| Caricaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Carica papaya</i> L. | Gedang | fruit | tree | SW | 0.53 | 12 |
| Comvolvulaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Ipomoea aquatica</i> L. | Kangkung | leaf | herb | SW | 0.82 | 12 |
| <i>Ipomoea batatas</i> L. | Ubi belook | tubers | herb | C | 0.46 | 18 |
| Cucurbitaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Benincasa hispida</i> | Baligo | fruit | herb | SW | 0.26 | 12 |
| <i>Cucurbita moschata</i> Duchesne. | Tabu | fruit | herb | SW | 0.7 | 6 |
| <i>Cucumis sativus</i> | Ketimun | fruit | herb | C | 0.46 | 33 |
| <i>Momordica charantia</i> L. | Paye | fruit | herb | W | 0.46 | 33 |
| <i>Sechium edule</i> Sw. | Jepang | fruit | herb | SW | 0,7 | 6 |
| Dioscoreaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Dioscorea alata</i> L. | Ubi injin | tubers | herb | W | 0.26 | 8 |

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|---|-------------------|--------------|---------|--------------------|------|-----|
| <i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i> L. | Ubiaung sungga | tubers | herb | W | 0.26 | 8 |
| <i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i> L. | Umbi gadung | tubers | herb | W | 0.26 | 8 |
| <i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i> L. | Ubi ipit | tubers | herb | W | 0.06 | 8 |
| <i>Dioscorea communis</i> L. | Ubi Abe | tubers | herb | W | 0.06 | 8 |
| Euphorbiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Aleurites moluccanus</i> L. | Tingkih | seed | tree | W | 0.26 | 24 |
| <i>Manihot utilissima</i> Pohl. | Ubi perahu | leaf, tubers | shrub | C | 0.9 | 26 |
| <i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> L. | Amla | fruit | tree | W | 0.56 | 6 |
| Fabaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Cajanus cajan</i> (L) Mill | Undis | seed | shrub | W | 0.03 | 8 |
| <i>Clitoria ternatea</i> L. | Bunga celeng | flower | shrub | SW | 0.56 | 10 |
| <i>Glycine max</i> | Kedele | seed | shrub | C | 0.56 | 20 |
| <i>Lablab purpureus</i> L. | Komak putih | seed | herb | W | 0.56 | 8 |
| <i>Mucuna pruriens</i> Wilmot. | Juleh | seed | herb | W | 0.03 | 8 |
| <i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> | Kacang buncis | seed | herb | SW | 0.06 | 14 |
| <i>Psophocarpus tetragonolobus</i> | Cipir | seed | herb | SW | 0.63 | 20 |
| <i>Pisum sativum</i> L. | Kacang Botor | seed | herb | SW | 0.5 | 20 |
| <i>Vigna unguiculata</i> L. | Kacang lilit | seed | herb | C | 0.63 | 22 |
| <i>Vicia faba</i> | Kacang kara | seed | herb | SW | 0.56 | 20 |
| Gnetaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Gnetum gnemon</i> L. | Melinjo | seed | tree | W | 0.43 | 6 |
| Lamiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Ocimum tenuiflorum</i> L. | Tulasi | leaf | herba | SW | 0.46 | 8 |
| Lauraceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Persea americana</i> P.Mill. | Apokat | fruit | tree | W | 0.43 | 12 |
| Leeaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Leea indica</i> Burm.f | Gegirang | leaf | shrub | W | 0.3 | 24 |
| Malvaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Durio zibethinus</i> L. | Duren | fruit | tree | SW | 0.7 | 12 |
| Meliaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Baccaurea racemose</i> (Reinw.) M.Arg | Kepundung | fruit | tree | W | 0.26 | 12 |
| <i>Lansium domesticum</i> L. | Ceroring | fruit | tree | W | 0.26 | 12 |
| <i>Sandoricum kotjape</i> (Burm.F) | Sentul | fruit | tree | W | 0.26 | 4 |
| Merr | | | | | | |
| Moraceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Artocarpus camansi</i> Blanco. | Timbul | fruit | tree | W | 0.43 | 6 |
| <i>Artocarpus communis</i> Forst. | Sukun | fruit | tree | W | 0.43 | 6 |
| <i>Arthocarpus heterophyllus</i> Lam. | Nangka | fruit | tree | W | 0.5 | 9 |
| Moringaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Moringa oleifera</i> L. | Kelor | leaf, fruit | shrub | SW | 0.93 | 16 |
| Muntingiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Muntingia calabura</i> L. | Singapur | fruit | shrub | W | 0.5 | 8 |
| Musaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Musa brachycarpa</i> Back | Biyu Jelutuk/batu | stem, fruit | herb | SW | 0.53 | 23 |
| <i>Musa paradisiaca</i> L. | Biyu gedang saba | stem, fruit | herb | SW | 0.53 | 20 |
| <i>Musa acuminata</i> L. | Biyu ketip | fruit | herb | SW | 0.53 | 20 |
| <i>Musa AAA</i> | Biyu kayu | fruit | herb | SW | 0.26 | 20 |
| <i>Musa acuminata</i> Colla. | Biyu keladi | fruit | herb | C | 0.53 | 20 |
| <i>Musa AAA</i> | Biyu sangket | fruit | herb | SW | 0.53 | 20 |
| <i>Musa paradisiaca</i> var. <i>sapientum</i> | Biyu gadang | fruit | herb | C | 0.56 | 20 |
| <i>Musa sapientum</i> var. <i>mas</i> | Biyu Mas | fruit | herb | C | 0.53 | 20 |
| <i>Musa velutina</i> | Biyu Tembaga | fruit | herb | SW | 0.26 | 30 |

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|---|---------------------|-------------|---------|--------------------|------|-----|
| <i>Musa AA</i> | Biyu Gancan | fruit | herb | SW | 0.26 | 30 |
| <i>Musa textilia</i> L. | Biyu raja | fruit | herb | C | 0.53 | 30 |
| <i>Musa acuminata</i> var.silk | Biyu susu | fruit | herb | C | 0.53 | 30 |
| Myrtaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Psidium guajava</i> L. | Nyambu Sotong | fruit | tree | W | 0.7 | 24 |
| <i>Syzygium aromaticum</i> (L)Merr | Cengkeh | flower | tree | SW | 0.7 | 10 |
| <i>Syzygium aqueum</i> Alston | Nyambu wer | fruit | tree | SW | 0.7 | 24 |
| <i>Syzygium cumini</i> (L) Skeels | Juwet | fruit | tree | W | 0.26 | 6 |
| <i>Syzygium polyanthum</i> Walp. | Don Juwet | leaf | tree | W | 0.26 | 10 |
| <i>Syzygium polycephalum</i> (Miq) Merr | Kaliasem | fruit | tree | W | 0.26 | 8 |
| Nyctaginaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Pisinia grandis</i> Span. | Dagdag see | leaf | tree | SW | 0.7 | 20 |
| Oxalidaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Averrhoa bilimbi</i> L. | Belimbing buluh | fruit | tree | SW | 0.6 | 8 |
| <i>Averrhoa carambola</i> L. | Belimbing besi | leaf, fruit | tree | SW | 0.9 | 18 |
| Pandanaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Pandanus amiryllicolius</i> Roxb. | Pudak arum | leaf | shrub | SW | 0.9 | 24 |
| Phyllanthaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Antidesma bunius</i> Spreng | Boni | fruit | tree | W | 0.66 | 18 |
| <i>Baccaurea racemosa</i> Reinw. | Kepundung | fruit | tree | W | 0.3 | 12 |
| <i>Phyllanthus acidus</i> Skeels. | Cermen | fruit | tree | W | 0.66 | 6 |
| <i>Sauropus androgynus</i> (L) Merr. | Don kayu manis | leaf | shrub | SW | 0.66 | 9 |
| Piperaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Peperomia pellucida</i> (L) Kunth | Damuh-damuh | leaf, stem | herb | W | 0.26 | 7 |
| <i>Piper retrofractum</i> Vahl. | Tabia bun | leaf, fruit | herb | W | 0.57 | 10 |
| Poaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Bambusa vulgaris</i> Schrad | Tiying ampel Gading | shoots | herb | SW | 0.46 | 15 |
| <i>Cymbopogon citratus</i> (DC) Stapl | See | stem | herb | SW | 0.7 | 7 |
| <i>Gigantochloa apus</i> (Schult.) Kurz | Tiying tali | shoots | herb | SW | 0.93 | 15 |
| <i>Imperata cylindrica</i> L. | Ambengan | root | herb | W | 0.9 | 30 |
| <i>Oryza sativa</i> L. | Padi Bali | seed | herb | C | 0.7 | 30 |
| <i>Oryza sativa</i> L. | Padi biasa | seed | herb | C | 0.93 | 44 |
| <i>Oryza sativa</i> L. var.glutinosa | Ketan putih | seed | herb | C | 0.7 | 44 |
| <i>Oryza sativa</i> L. var.glutinosa | Injin | seed | herb | C | 0.66 | 30 |
| <i>Saccharum officinarum</i> L. | Tebu | stem | herb | SW | 0.93 | 18 |
| <i>Zea mays</i> L. | Jagung | fruit | herb | C | 0.7 | 21 |
| Polypodiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Diplazium esculentum</i> Swartz. | Paku | leaf | herb | W | 0.86 | 6 |
| Punicaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Punica granatum</i> L. | Delima wanta | fruit | shrub | SW | 0.86 | 20 |
| <i>Punica granatum</i> L. | Delima | fruit | shrub | SW | 0.86 | 20 |
| Rubiaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Morinda citrifolia</i> L. | Tibah | fruit | shrub | W | 0.53 | 7 |
| Rutaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Citrus amblycarpa</i> Hassk | Limo | fruit, leaf | shrub | SW | 0.66 | 20 |
| <i>Citrus auratifolia</i> (Chistm) Swingl | Juuk lengis | fruit | tree | SW | 0.5 | 16 |
| <i>Citrus grandis</i> L. | Jerungga | fruit | tree | SW | 0.7 | 16 |
| <i>Citrus sinensis</i> L. | Juuk | fruit | tree | SW | 0.66 | 12 |
| Salicaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Flacourtia indica</i> L. | Ngkem | fruit | shrub | W | 0.26 | 7 |
| Sapindaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Nephelium lappaceum</i> L. | Buluan | fruit | tree | SW | 0.7 | 12 |
| <i>Schleichera oleosa</i> Merr. | Kesambi | fruit | tree | W | 0.3 | 14 |
| Sapotaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Manilkara zapota</i> L. | Sabo | fruit | tree | SW | 0.53 | 12 |

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|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|---------|--------------------|------|-----|
| Solanaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Capsicum frutescens</i> L. | Tabia | fruit | shrub | C | 0.63 | 12 |
| <i>Physalis angulate</i> L. | Ceplukan | fruit | herb | W | 0.13 | 6 |
| <i>Solanum melongena</i> | Tuwung | fruit | shrub | SW | 0.56 | 10 |
| Zingiberaceae | | | | | | |
| <i>Alpinia galanga</i> | Isen | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.46 | 21 |
| <i>Curcuma longa</i> Linn. | Kunyit | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.26 | 23 |
| <i>Curcuma zanthorhiza</i> | Temu lawak | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.26 | 9 |
| <i>Etilingera elatior</i> (Jack) | Kecicang | shoots, flower | herb | SW | 0.26 | 6 |
| <i>Gastrochillus panduratum</i> Ridl | Temu kunci | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.26 | 6 |
| <i>Kaempferia galangal</i> L. | Cekuh | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.26 | 21 |
| <i>Zingiber cassumunar</i> L. | Bangle | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.3 | 10 |
| <i>Zingiber officinale</i> Rosc. | Jahe | rhizome | herb | SW | 0.53 | 25 |

High diversity indicates knowledge of the aspects of the benefits of local foodstuff plants, which are grouped into staple foods (8), vegetables (35), fruit (40), complementary foods (6), drinks (20), and seasonings (17). This finding is higher than 106 foodstuffs species of the Mandailing Tribe (Nasution et al., 2018), Simpang Teritip, Bangka 79 species (Camelia et al., 2019), Bulumario, North Sumatra 83 species (Silalahi et al., 2021). The Bugbug community is used by the musaceae family as a means of yadnya ceremonies. Some of them are staples and are exclusive (irreplaceable), namely *Musa AAA* (*biyu kayu*), *Musa velutina* (*biyu temaga*), *Musa AA* (*biyu gancan*). The uniqueness of hilly and coastal areas reflects biodiversity,

including plants in specific ecosystems. Each ethnic group develops according to the region's uniqueness, culture, and availability of natural resources (Suryadarma, 2017)

Part of Local Foodstuff Plants

The parts of plants used as foodstuff by the Bugbug people are roots, stems, buds, leaves, flowers, fruit, seeds, tubers, and rhizomes. The fruit was the most commonly used plant part for foodstuffs (56%), followed by leaf (20%) and seed (12%). Similar to findings in Nepal (Uprety et al., 2012), Cipinang Kiri Hulu Village, Riau (Wahyuni et al., 2021). Plant parts of local foodstuff is presented in Figure 3.

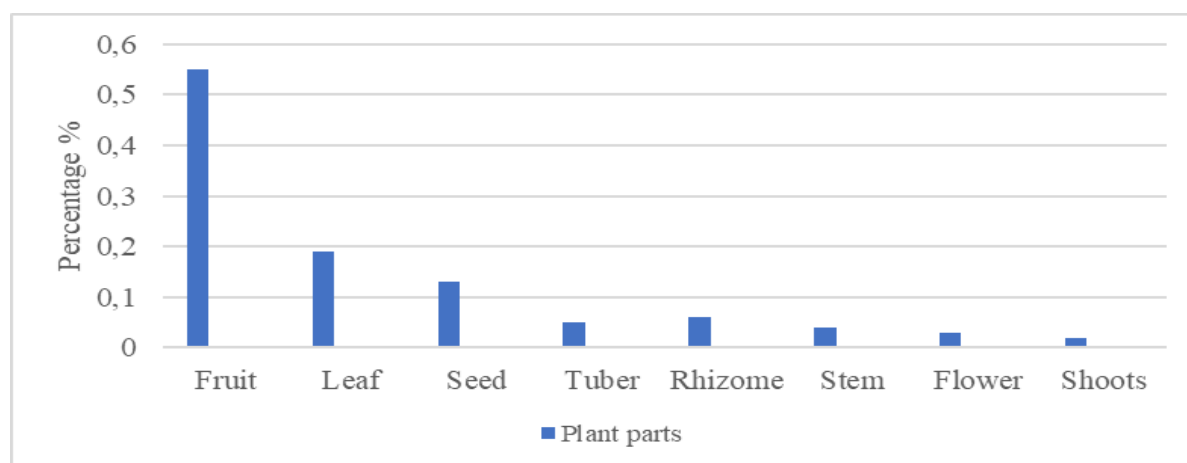


Figure 3. Plant parts of local foodstuffs used by Bugbug community

The fruit is mainly used as a fruit that is eaten directly. It is used for ceremonies as an offering material too. According to Sujarwo (2020), plants or their parts are the most important elements in material offerings related to the Yadnya ceremony. Upakara a yadnya uses a lot of leaves, flowers, fruit, seeds, and tubers (Adiputra, 2017). Several fruits are processed into a salad, such as *Syzygium polycephalum* (Miq) Merr., *Sandoricum kotjape* (Burm.F) Merr., *Syzygium aqueum* Alston., *Antidesma bunius* Spreng., *Phyllanthus acidus* Skeels., *Averrhoa carambola* L., *Morinda citrifolia* L., and *Carica papaya* L., *Artocarpus heterophyllus* Lam., *Musa brachycarpa* Back. processed into a local dish called

lawar. Some fruits are usually sold to tourist namely *Sallaca zalacca* L., *Garcinia mangostana* L., and *Durio zibethinus* L.

The highest habitus is herbs (50%), followed by the tree (33%) and shrubs (17%) (Figure 4). Herbs have a fast rate of growth and reproduction and are easy to grow in various locations (Nasution et al., 2018). The herb habitus is also highest in the Pedundung community (Silalahi et al., 2021). The local foodstuff plants that is utilized by the Bugbug community is most obtained from semi-wild (50%), followed by wild (35%) and cultivation (16%) (Figure 5). Local foodstuff plants liked by the community are usually planted to meet daily food needs and for ceremonies.

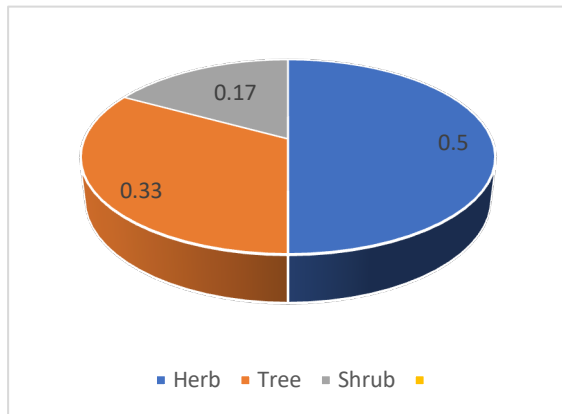


Figure 4. Habitus of Foodstuff Plants

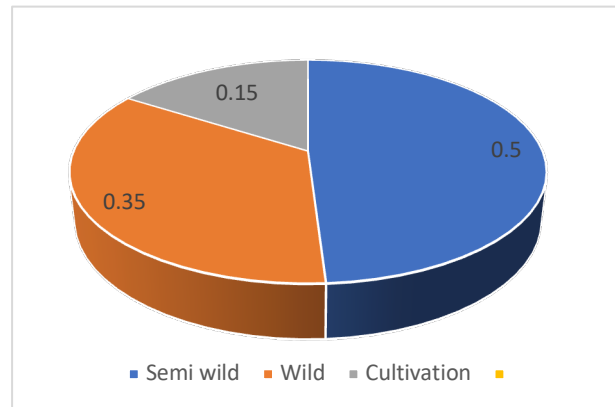


Figure 5. Cultivation Status of Foodstuff Plants

Traditional knowledge of Local Foodstuff Plants

Availability factors at the location and frequency of use significantly affect the respondent's knowledge. The local community in Bugbug village uses *Ipomoea batatas* L. tubers in the local name *ubi belook* as an additional food ingredient. At the same time, the leaves are used as animal feed, especially for pigs. These foodstuffs are alternative foodstuffs with high carbohydrate content which are used as substitutes for staple foods when staple foods are not available. Several plant species from the Dioscoreaceae family that

the Bugbug people like, such as *Dioscorea alata* L., *Dioscorea bulbifera* L., and *Dioscorea communis* L., come from wild habitats. The preferred taste of wild food causes people to use it as a substitute for carbohydrates. Apart from being consumed, the community utilized these species for ceremonies too. These species have the potential to be developed as local food for tourism. This resulted in variations in food as a source of carbohydrates in various local communities, such as *Colocasia esculenta* for Balinese ethnicity (Sujarwo & Caneva, 2016). Wild plants contribute to fulfilling

food needs, survival, sustainability of traditional ecology and knowledge.

The level of traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants of the Bugbug community aged 17-30 years was 37.3% in the less category, aged 31-50 years, 64.28% in the sufficient category, aged > 50 years, 77.7% in the good category. The level of knowledge is interpreted with a qualitative scale based on the percentage value into three categories, namely: (1) Good category $\geq 75\%$; (2) sufficient category 55-74%; (3)

Less category < 55% (Arikunto, 2013). The results of the average level of traditional ethnobotanical knowledge (Mg) of respondents were 0.373 at the age of 17-30 years, 0.642 at the age of 31-50 years, and 0.777 aged of > 50 years. The level of traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants is presented in Table 2. The results of the Kruskal Wallis test for traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants for different age groups were very significant, with a $P = 0.000 (< 0.05)$.

Table 2. Traditional Knowledge on Local Foodstuff Plants of Bugbug Community

| No | Age Group | Traditional knowledge | | Category |
|----|-----------|-----------------------|-------|------------|
| | | Mg | (%) | |
| 1. | 17-30 | 0.373 | 37.3 | Less |
| 2. | 31-50 | 0.642 | 64.28 | Sufficient |
| 3. | > 50 | 0.777 | 77.77 | Good |

The level of traditional knowledge aged 17-30 is included in the less category because they have little time to interact with plants. It is caused by the education of the younger generation, which is increasing, so that is less time to interact with plants. This agrees with Vasques et al. (2016) that the level of education has a negative correlation with the botanical knowledge of the local Zapotec community in Mexico. Age is related to the amount of time interacting with plants. Each age group has a different level of knowledge, whereas a person's age increases, the more time he interacts with plants, the more his knowledge increases.

The younger generation prefers fast food more than traditional food, which is also one reason for their lack of knowledge of traditional local foodstuff plants. The process of inheriting traditional knowledge is influenced by sociocultural backgrounds introduced through daily activities and customs. However, the tourism culture, which introduces a modern, all-practical culture, influences the mindset of the people, especially the younger generation, regarding

the use and management of plants. Meanwhile, the results of the Mann-Whitney test for gender did not differ from the value of $P = 0.388 (> 0.05)$. This result is because of the Bugbug community; both men and women work together in utilizing and cultivating local foodstuff plants in line with Sousa et al. (2012) and Wiryono et al. (2017).

Use Value (UV) of Local Foodstuff Plants

Based on UV calculations from 48 respondents, the highest use value (UV) of the local foodstuffs plant was *A. pinnata* L. (1). This means that all respondents know the benefits of *A. pinnata* as a foodstuff. While the lowest UV was obtained from *Cajanus cajan* (L) Mill and *Mucuna pruriens* Wilmot. (0.03). The high use value of *A. pinnata* is due to the large number of uses by the community for various purposes; namely, sap water (*tuak*) is consumed daily as a drink, processed into alcohol, a mixture for making cakes, for ceremonies,

traditional events and for sale. The fruit, called *beluluk*, is used as a mixture of ice drinks and fibers for building materials and sale. The highest or lowest Use Value can become rare and eventually disappear from the location because by knowing the many benefits that can be obtained, plants have the potential to be exploited by the community. Meanwhile, if the UV is very low, it has the potential to be ignored by the community.

Index Cultural significance (ICS) of Local Foodstuff Plants

The highest Index of Cultural Significance (ICS) of local foodstuff plants was *A. pinnata* L. (55). While the lowest ICS is *Sandoricum kotjape* (Burm. F) Merr. Plants with the highest ICS are plant species that are widely used by the community, especially those with high exclusivity and intensity. In this study, the ICS value is high because it is used for

CONCLUSION

The diversity of species used by The Bugbug community is relatively high, namely 126 species spread across 47 families. The high diversity of plants found is caused by specific ecosystems from hilly areas and beaches. The most used family is Musaceae. The community mostly cultivates the musaceae family to meet their daily needs for food, ceremonial materials, and commodities. The most widely used part of the plant is the fruit. The level of traditional knowledge of local foodstuff plants varies between age groups; age is related to the amount of time needed to interact with plants. The older a person is, the more traditional knowledge he has. In contrast, the level of traditional knowledge between genders is not different. The highest Use Value and Index Cultural Significance of local foodstuff plants are *Arenga pinnata* L. High Index Cultural Significance are plant species widely used

various needs, including food (food and beverages), ceremonies, medicinal materials, and building materials as basic and irreplaceable (exclusive) ingredients.

The Bugbug community uses almost all parts of this plant, namely fruit and sap water for food, drink and medicine, leaves for ceremonies, and fibers for sacred buildings. Plants that have more uses will have a more excellent ICS value. This means these plants become more valuable and exclusive (Hager, 2008). The community places *A. pinnata* L. plants as the highest level and the most useful and valuable plants because these plants are used with high intensity and exclusivity. Ethnobotanical studies are efforts made by the community to manage their knowledge systems regarding plants in their environment which are used not only for their daily needs but also for spiritual needs and cultural values.

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