

## Blood Root - *Sanguinaria canadensis*

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Family: Papaveraceae Some Common Names: Indian Paint, red pucoon, red root, coon root, sweet slumber, snakebite... Some Common Uses: Bloodroot is a poisonous narcotic is listed on the FDA's unsafe herb list. It is a local anesthetic, insect repellent, tonic, antibacterial, expectorant and antiviral. Recent studies have focused on skin cancer and its possible therapeutic effects.

Bloodroot was a traditional medicine used by American Indians to treat fever and rheumatism. Other uses included treatment of ulcers, ringworm, skin infections, and for producing dyes in red, orange, and pink. It has enjoyed some commercial success in toothpaste and as a mouthwash. [Get Current Prices Click Here](#) - must be logged in or register.