Natural, Aesthetic and Aromatic Plants of Lake Van Basin

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Abstract:

The study was carried out at the basin of Lake Van between 2008 and 2010. As a result of this study, 363 species and 397 plant taxa belonging to 55 families have been identified as the natural aesthetic and aromatic quality. 84 taxa of these plants were identified as aromatic and aesthetic, other 313 taxa were identified as ornamental plants. Identified 23 taxa of these plants are endemic. In this work, plants collected in the field were identified and on the basis of observations; flavors, aesthetics, flower colors, phenologies, ecologies, habitats, localities, woody-herbaceous forms, lives, endemics and the Latin names are presented. This research is important for detection of biological diversity, utilization, efficiency, sustainability and scientific studies in terms of data generation.

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