

Dalgety Pure Soursop

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Dalgety Pure Soursop, in summary: Dalgety Pure Soursop is the dried leaf of the soursop (graviola) tree, a Caribbean diaspora staple. What the traditional "cure all" language means, and what the evidence actually shows.

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[Dalgety Pure Soursop](#) is the dried leaf of the soursop (graviola) tree, brewed as a single ingredient infusion. The Caribbean diaspora calls it a "cure all", that's traditional language, not a clinical claim. The leaf has a real research literature behind some of its compounds, but most of it is in vitro and in animals. We stock it because it's a serious category for UK Caribbean and African diaspora drinkers and because emerging research keeps the question of soursop's effects genuinely open.

About soursop

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Soursop (*Annona muricata*) is a [tropical](#) tree native to Central and South America, the Caribbean, and parts of Africa. It produces a large, spiny, sweet tart fruit that's eaten fresh, juiced, or used in [desserts](#). The leaves are dried for tea, Caribbean diaspora communities consume soursop leaf tea as part of traditional health practice.

"Graviola" is another common name for the same plant, more often used in supplement and capsule marketing. Soursop leaf tea, graviola tea, and *Annona muricata* tea all refer to the same product.

What "cure all" means in Caribbean usage

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In Jamaican, Trinidadian, and broader Caribbean traditional usage, soursop is treated as a general purpose health drink, a "cleanse" tea, a sleep tea, a blood pressure tea, a "good for whatever ails you" tea. Older generations regard it as an essential household herb. The "cure all" label is cultural shorthand for broad respect, not a literal clinical claim.

This page tries to honour the cultural framing while being clear about what evidence does and doesn't support.

What's in the leaf

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- **Annonaceous acetogenins.** A class of compounds unique to the Annonaceae plant family. In vitro studies have shown anti cancer activity against several cancer cell lines. NO clinical evidence in humans. Theoretical concern: long term high dose consumption has been associated with neurological issues in epidemiological studies of Caribbean populations.
- **Alkaloids.** Including coreximine, anomuricine. Mild sedative properties.
- **Polyphenols and flavonoids.** Antioxidant compounds.
- **Vitamin C.** Trace amounts in dried leaves.

The evidence, briefly

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Anti cancer claims

In vitro studies (cells in lab dishes) have shown soursop acetogenins kill various cancer cell types selectively. This is not the same as treating cancer in humans. No clinical trials in humans demonstrate cancer treatment efficacy. Soursop is sometimes promoted as a cancer cure online, this is irresponsible. Anyone with a cancer diagnosis should follow the advice of an oncologist, not the [herbal tea](#) aisle.

Blood pressure

Limited animal studies suggest soursop may modestly lower blood pressure. Human evidence is preliminary. Don't substitute for blood pressure medication.

Sleep and relaxation

The mild sedative alkaloids likely contribute to soursop's traditional reputation as a calming evening tea. Effect is gentle, comparable to [chamomile](#).

antioxidant

Some evidence in animal studies. Modest effect at most.

The neurological concern

Epidemiological studies in the French Caribbean (Guadeloupe) found increased rates of atypical Parkinsonism in populations with high soursop consumption, suggesting heavy long term intake of soursop products (fruit, juice, tea) may carry neurological risk. This is the most important caution worth knowing about. Occasional or moderate consumption (a cup or two per week) is widely considered fine; heavy daily consumption over years has plausible concerns.

What [soursop tea](#) tastes like

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Earthy, slightly bitter, with a faint sweet finish. Less aggressive than [cerassie](#) (also Caribbean), more substantial than chamomile. Not a polarising flavour, most drinkers find it pleasant once sweetened with honey or balanced with lime.

How to brew

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1. 1 tea bag per 200ml mug.
2. Just boiled water (~95°C).
3. Steep 5-7 minutes.
4. Sweeten with honey to taste. Add lime, lemon, or fresh ginger for brightness.
5. Drink hot or iced.

How often to drink it

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Traditional Caribbean usage tends toward 1-3 cups weekly rather than daily. Heavy daily intake over years isn't traditional and isn't recommended given the epidemiological concerns. Occasional drinker pattern: 1-2 cups per week.

Cautions worth knowing

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- **Long term heavy intake.** Epidemiological link to atypical Parkinsonism. Limit to occasional/moderate consumption.

- **Pregnancy.** Avoid soursop tea in pregnancy; the acetogenin profile is incompletely understood and several traditional sources warn against it.
- **Blood pressure medication.** Possible interaction (additive blood pressure lowering effect). Discuss with GP.
- **Cancer treatment.** Do NOT use soursop tea as a substitute for chemotherapy or radiotherapy. Discuss with oncologist before adding to any regime, some compounds may interact with cancer treatments.
- **Children.** Not traditionally given to young children.

Caffeine

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0mg. Soursop is naturally caffeine free.

Buying Dalgety Pure Soursop

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Quick Buy: [Dalgety Pure Soursop](#). Available through specialist Caribbean grocers and online tea specialists. Mainstream UK supermarkets don't typically stock pure soursop tea.

Other Dalgety soursop products

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- [Dalgety Soursop and Ginger](#), soursop blended with ginger for digestive support.
- [Dalgety Soursop and Moringa](#), two Caribbean superfoods together.

FAQ

What does soursop tea taste like? Earthy, slightly bitter, with a faint sweet finish. Pleasant once sweetened with honey.

Can soursop tea cure cancer? No. In vitro studies show some anti cancer activity, but there are no human clinical trials demonstrating cancer treatment efficacy. Don't use as a cancer treatment.

How often can I drink soursop tea? Traditional usage is 1-3 cups weekly, not daily. Heavy long term consumption has plausible neurological concerns.

Is soursop tea safe in pregnancy? No, avoid in pregnancy due to incomplete safety data.

Where to buy Dalgety Pure Soursop UK? Specialist Caribbean grocers and online tea specialists including teas.co.uk.

The evidence, at a glance

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Claim	The honest status
Anti cancer	in vitro only; no human trials; do not use as a cancer treatment
Blood pressure	limited animal studies; preliminary; not a substitute for medication
Sleep / calm	mild sedative alkaloids; a gentle real effect, comparable to chamomile
Antioxidant	some animal evidence; modest at most
Long term heavy use	epidemiological neurological concern; moderate occasional use widely considered fine

This is general information, not medical advice. Anyone with a cancer diagnosis should follow their oncologist rather than the herbal aisle.

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- [Cancer Research UK: Graviola \(soursop\)](#). No reliable human evidence it treats cancer; it also notes nerve changes with Parkinson's-like symptoms and possible kidney or liver harm from frequent use.

Curator's note: soursop is one of the most asked about teas in our Caribbean range. The plain framing matters, it's a real cultural staple with real but limited evidence behind some claims, plus a real but underdiscussed long term concern. Drink it the way Caribbean grandparents drank it: occasionally, with respect, not as a daily wellness habit. Lee, Teas.co.uk, Tunbridge Wells.

Buy it in the [soursop range](#), try the gentler [soursop and ginger](#) blend, or browse the full [tea shop](#).

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Soursop companion reading

- [Soursop tea](#)
- [Dalgety Soursop and Ginger](#)

- [Dalgety Soursop and Moringa](#)
- [Herbal tea overview](#)

Part of the [Tea Health Benefits](#) pillar at teas.co.uk.

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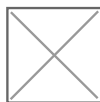
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