

Shu-gu

Material: Pale white fibre extracted from the plant *Daphne papyraceae*, locally known as 'Shug-sheng'.

Description: This is local handmade paper.

Use: The *Monpas* of the Eastern Himalayas have practiced the art of paper making since time immemorial. It was used for inscribing Buddhist scriptures and also as wrapping material. However, now the 'Shu-gu' paper is rarely in use.

Used by: The people of *Monpa* tribe in Arunachal Pradesh, India, in the Eastern Himalayas.

