



## *Ficus virens* Aiton var. *matthewii* Chantaras: A new distributional record from Kerala

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### ABSTRACT

During the field explorations in the Wayanad District of Kerala, the authors came across an interesting specimen of *Ficus*. On further examination, literature review and herbarium references, it was confirmed as *Ficus virens* Aiton var. *matthewii* Chantaras. This variety is an addition to the floral diversity of Kerala. Detailed description, illustrations and colour plates are provided here along with a comparison with its allied variety.

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