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madurai malligai...

From aqua blues of the Andamans to fragrant 'mogras' of Madurai. Pardon me if I keep oscillating between a couple of destinations that we travelled to while away from my blog.



Madurai is famous for its big, fragrant variety of 'Malligai' or Mogra



Fragrant 'Malligai' on well-oiled hair is a common sight in southern India and especially in Madurai



Adorn and sell.



The 'Malligai' buds being woven into a neat garland.



Freshly woven garlands wait for customers in the evening.

"Plants that wake when others sleep. Timid jasmine buds that keep their fragrance to themselves all day, but when the sunlight dies away let the delicious secret out to every breeze that roams about."

~Thomas Moore