## Intro to Herbs

In this video, I'll introduce a lot of important concepts when considering herbal medicine. We'll go over some of the advantages and concerns when thinking about herbal medicine. A good plan for using herbs to treat illness should always be done under the guidance of a medical professional. I'll share some of the general principles I think about when prescribing herbal medicine to my patients.

## References and further reading

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## **Glossary**

Ayurveda

Dosha

Kapha

Pitta

Vata

Prakruti

Vikruti

Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)

Ashwagandha