PLANT FACT SHEET

Couepia guianensis Aubl.

GENUS *Couepia* **FAMILY** Chrysobalanaceae

COMMON NAMES Cannonball tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Fruit - oil

The pulp of the fruit is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A large tree. It loses its leaves during the year. It grows 25 m tall. The leaves are simple and 15 cm long. They have teeth around the edge. The flowers are on the trunk. They are red, yellow and pink. They have a strong scent. They are 8-12 cm across. The fruit are large and round and woody. They hang in clusters. The fruit have small seeds in a white jelly. The top of the fruit lifts off. The fruit are edible. Plants are pollinated by bats.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

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