PLANT FACT SHEET

Manihot dichotoma Ule

GENUS *Manihot* **FAMILY** Euphorbiaceae

COMMON NAMES Manihot rubber tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root - starch

The starch of the roots is eaten as a famine food.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 1-10 m high. The leaf stalk is 6-9 cm long. The leaves have 3-7 lobes. It can form hybrids with cassava.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in acid soils. It can grow in arid places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown as a hedge plant.

NOTES

There are 100 Manihot species in tropical America.

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