PLANT FACT SHEET

Geissospermum laeve (Vell.) Miers

GENUS *Geissospermum* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Tringuaba

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit is bitter.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 5-16 m tall. It can be 30 m tall. The trunk can be 15-100 cm across. The bark is light brown. The leaves are narrowly oval and 13-15 cm long by 4-5 cm wide. The fruit are follicles 10-15 cm long by 4-5 cm wide. The seeds are 3 cm long by 1.5 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in moist but not flooded forest.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Guyana plants flower in August and fruit in January.

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