PLANT FACT SHEET

Vitex pinnata L.

GENUS *Vitex* **FAMILY** Lamiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves/bark - medicine, Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 20 m tall. The bark is grey brown, cracked and flaky. The leaves have 3-5 leaflets. The outer 2 are usually smaller. The leaves are 3-25 cm long by 1.5-10 cm wide. The leaves have a scent. They taper to the tip and are rounded at the base. The flowers are in groups at the ends of the branches. They are whitish-blue. The fruit are 5-8 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seeds or cuttings.

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