PLANT FACT SHEET

Tabebuia heterophylla (DC.) Britton

GENUS *Tabebuia* **FAMILY** Bignoniaceae

COMMON NAMES Pink trumpet tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - tea

The leaves are used for tea.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It loses many leaves during the year. It grows 15 m tall. The leaves are compound with unequal leaflets arranged like fingers on a hand. The flowers are trumpet shaped and 8 cm long. They are in clusters at the ends of the branches. The fruit are pods 30 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It is best in full sun. It needs well drained soil. It suits hardiness zones 10-11. It is damaged by frost.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds. It can also be grown from softwood cuttings and well as air-layering and grafting.

NOTES

There are about 100 Tabebuia species in the American tropics.

PICTURES



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