PLANT FACT SHEET

Shorea pinanga Scheff.

GENUS *Shorea* **FAMILY** Dipterocarpaceae

COMMON NAMES Pinang tengkawang tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nuts - oil

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 50 m tall. The trunk can be 125 cm across. It has small buttresses. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are narrowly oval and 11-24 cm long by 4-9 cm wide. They are thinly leathery with 10-20 pairs of secondary veins. The flowers are yellowish-pink and 3 cm across. They are in groups in the axils of leaves and at the ends of branches. The fruit is a broadly oval nut 2.5 cm long. They are green to yellow or red with pale yellow hairs. There are 3 longer calyx lobes that are narrowly spoon shaped and 28 cm long by 3.5 cm wide. and then 2 shorter lobes.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in Kalimantan in lowland dipterocarp forest up to 700 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

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