PLANT FACT SHEET

Brosimum guianense (Aubl.) Huber

GENUS *Brosimum* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Bere, Leopard-wood, Snakewood

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The fruit pulp is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tall tree. It grows 30 m tall. The trunk is 85 cm across. It has large buttresses. The small branches have round scars where the stipules fell off. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are 5-9 cm long by 2-6 cm wide. They have a pointed tip. The leaves are dark green above and paler underneath. The veins are yellow underneath. Broken leaves and twigs drip white latex. The flowers are yellow on small disk shaped heads.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the lowland wet forest.

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