PLANT FACT SHEET

Parkia balslevii H. C. Hopkins

GENUS *Parkia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Balslev nitta tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seed coating, Fruit, Seeds, Vine contents

The seeds are covered with a sweet, honey-like substance.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 15-20 m tall. The leaves are 45 cm long. The leaves have pairs of leaflets along the stalk and these also have pairs of leaflets along them. There are 10-15 pairs and then the smaller ones have 40-48 pairs of small leaflets. The fruit are pods that are often twisted. They are 22-30 cm long. There are 22 seeds in each pod.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

NOTES

The tree is threatened.

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