PLANT FACT SHEET

Prosopis flexuosa DC.

GENUS *Prosopis* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Algarrobo, Algarobo negro, Algarrobo amarillo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Pod

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 3-10 m tall. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. The leaves are 5-13 cm long with 12-29 leaflets 4-15 mm long by 1-2 mm wide. It has spines in the axils of the leaves. The pod is 5-28 cm long by 0.7-1.2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In Argentina it grows from sea level to 2,200 m above sea level.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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