PLANT FACT SHEET

Spatholobus parviflorus (DC.) Kuntze

GENUS *Spatholobus* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seed - spice, oil, Fruit

The seed oil is used for cooking.
The fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 6-18 m tall. It can become a woody climber. The leaflets are 10-25 cm long by 8-20 cm wide. The flowers are in panicles 20 cm long. The flowers are cream and 8 mm across by 18 mm long. The fruit is a pod 11 cm long by 3 cm wide. It is brown and velvety. The pods are hairy.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In Nepal it grows between 200-2,000 m above sea level. It grows in clear forests along rivers. It grows on granite soils below 800 m altitude.

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