PLANT FACT SHEET

Brachystegia barberiae Hook. f.

GENUS *Brachystegia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Tuber, Root

The tuber is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It can have one or several stems. It grows from a tuber. The leaves are 10 cm long by 5 cm wide. They have fine hairs. The flowers are in groups of up to 25 towards the ends of branches. They are red inside and yellow outside. They have a bad smell. The fruit are oval.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in open woodland.

NOTES

Also as Caesalpinaceae.

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