PLANT FACT SHEET

Simaba cedron Planch.

GENUS *Simaba* **FAMILY** Simaroubaceae

COMMON NAMES Cedron simaba

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It loses many leaves during the year. It grows 4-12 m high. The crown is elongated. The trunk is grooved and 15-25 cm across. The bark is light brown and spotted. It flakes off in thin pieces. The leaves are sword shaped and 4-6 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. The fruit is an oval berry. It is 2.7 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in semi-deciduous forests in the interior and at higher altitudes in Brazil.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds. The seeds are collected from ripe fruit that have fallen. The fruit are stored in piles and allowed to partly decompose to make it easy to remove the seeds. This is done under running water. The seeds need to be planted fresh and in light shade. The seedlings emerge in 20-35 days.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Plants grow at a moderate rate.

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