PLANT FACT SHEET

Commiphora pedunculata (Kotschy et Peyr.) Engl.

GENUS *Commiphora* **FAMILY** Burseraceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or tree. It can grow 6.5 m tall. It has a stout trunk 1 m around. The bark is papery. Young branches are hairy. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. There are 2-5 pairs of leaflets. The leaf stalk is 3 cm long. The leaflet blades are 8.5 cm long by 3.5 cm wide. There are teeth along the edge. The flowers are in groups up to 5 cm long in the axils of leaves. The fruit is small and black. It is about 1.4 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in the Savannah in West Africa. It can tolerate frost. It grows between 125-600 m above sea level. It grows in areas with a rainfall under 800 mm per year. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are about 165 Commiphora species.

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