PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Bursera penicillata (Sesse & Moc. ex DC.) Engl.

GENUS *Bursera* **FAMILY** Burseraceae

COMMON NAMES Elemi-gum, Indian lavender, Linaloe-tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flavouring

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 15 m tall. The trunk can be 50-70 cm across. The leaves have 8-9 leaflets along the stalk. They have rounded teeth along the edge.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In India it occurs in the Western and Eastern Ghats. It grows in semi-arid regions.

NOTES

The wood and fruit produce oil used for perfumes. The oil has anti-oxidant properties.

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