PLANT FACT SHEET

Barringtonia macrocarpa Hassk.

GENUS *Barringtonia* **FAMILY** Lecythidaceae

COMMON NAMES Large-leaf putat tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young slender sprouts or shoots are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 3-7 m tall. The trunk is thin and straight. It is 5-15 cm across. The leaves are alternate. The leaves are broadly sword shaped. They extend down along the stem at the base. The flowers hang down along a long stalk amongst the leaves. The flowers are greenish with red tips.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Java it grows from the lowlands to 600 m above sea level. It grows in shady places and near water on non saline soils.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seeds and cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 40 Barringtonia species.

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