



PLANT FACT SHEET

Desmanthus virgatus (L.) Willd.

GENUS *Desmanthus* FAMILY Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Wild tantan

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 2 m tall. It has long slender branches. The twigs are green and ribbed. The leaves are alternate and twice divided. There is a large gland at the base of the leaf stalk. The leaves have 2-5 pairs of pinnae and these have 12-18 pairs of leaflets. These are 3-4 mm long.

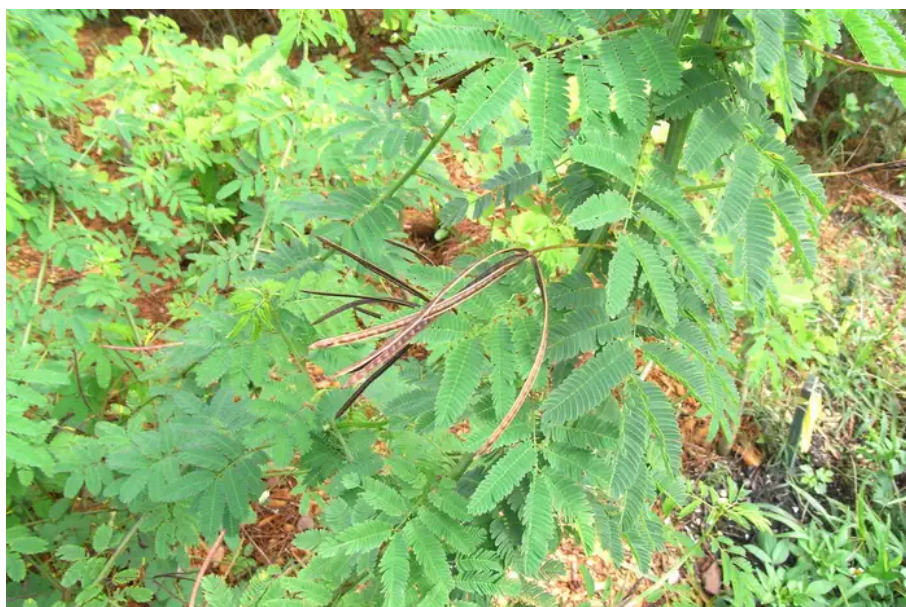
HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

PICTURES



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