PLANT FACT SHEET

Mezoneuron benthamianum Baill.

GENUS *Mezoneuron* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Tiger's claw

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - masticatory, Root - drink, Stems - juice

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or woody climber. It grows 8 m high. It has sharp thorns.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in waste places in dry deciduous forest or savannah in West Africa. It grows in palm groves and along the edges of mangroves.

NOTES

Also as Caesalpinaceae.

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