PLANT FACT SHEET

Brosimum rubescens Taub.

GENUS *Brosimum* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Para breadnut tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Latex, Fruit

The latex is sometimes used as a milk substitute in coffee. It is possibly considered medicine.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It can grow up to 40 m tall. The trunk is straight and has prop roots. It can be 50-70 cm across. The leaves are simple and alternate. They tend to be clustered towards the end of the branches. The fruit is a small berry that turns purple when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in wet evergreen forests at low altitudes.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed.

NOTES

The latex is also used as a medicine.

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