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.

Erythrina corallodendron L.

GENUS *Erythrina* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Common coral bean

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The young flowers and leaves are eaten cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 9 m high. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. There are 3 broad leaflets. The flowers are bright red and in clusters at the ends of the branches. They appear both before and after the leaves. The fruit are long curved pods.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

NOTES

The seeds and pods contain a narcotic alkaloid.

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