PLANT FACT SHEET

Lecythis corrugata Poit.

GENUS *Lecythis* **FAMILY** Lecythidaceae

COMMON NAMES Mahot rouge

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Nuts

The nut without the shell is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 35 m tall. The trunk is 50 cm across. The leaves are alternate and simple. They are 17 cm long by 7 cm wide. The flowers are in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. The flowers are 3 cm across and have a sweet scent. There are 6 pinkish or reddish purple petals. The fruit are broadly cone shaped. with wrinkles across them. There are a few brown seeds. These are 23 mm long by 17 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

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