PLANT FACT SHEET

Casearia tachirensis Steyermark

GENUS *Casearia* **FAMILY** Salicaceae

COMMON NAMES Tachira casearia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 4-10 m high. It can be 20 m high. The trunk is 25 cm across. The fruit are round and shiny. They are greenish red but turn creamy when ripe. They are up to 1.5 cm across. There are 3-5 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forest between 1,850-2,600 m altitude in Colombia.

NOTES

There are 160-180 Casearia species. They are mostly in South America. 75 occur in tropical America. They have also been put in the plant family Flacourtiaceae.

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