PLANT FACT SHEET

Saraca dives Pierre

GENUS *Saraca* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Vang-anh

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves, Medicine

The young leaves are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows to 7-20 m tall. The trunk is 25 cm across. The leaves have 5 or 6 pairs of leaflets. They hang down. They are oval and 15-35 cm long by 5-12 cm wide. The flowers are yellow but do not have petals. The fruit or pod is on 4 cm long stalks. The pod is 22-30 cm long by 5-7 cm wide. The valves are twisted. There are 5-9 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows naturally by riversides and is also cultivated. It grows between 200-1,000 m above sea level. In XTBG Yunnan. It can grow in the desert and dry shrubland.

NOTES

There are about 10 Saraca species. They occur in tropical Asia. Also as Caesalpinaceae.

PICTURES



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