PLANT FACT SHEET

Guaiacum sanctum L.

GENUS *Guaiacum* **FAMILY** Zygophyllaceae

COMMON NAMES Holywood

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Resin - spice

The wood and resin are used as a spice and flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 7-10 m tall. The trunk is 20-50 cm across. The leaves are narrowly oval. They are compound and 2.5-3 cm long by 2 cm wide. The flowers are purple and have 5 petals each. The fruit are green.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

NOTES

It is the national tree of the Bahamas.

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