PLANT FACT SHEET

Prosopis tamarugo Phil.

GENUS *Prosopis* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Tamarugo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Pods

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 18 m tall. The crown is open. The trunk is 80 cm across. The leaves are once divided. The pinnae are 3-4 cm long and each has 10-15 pairs of leaflets. The leaflets are narrow and 4-8 mm long. The flowers are golden yellow. They in long spikes in the axils of the leaves. The pod is 2-8 cm long and 2-4 cm wide. There are 6-8 seeds in a brownish edible pulp. The seeds are oval and 3-4 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It can grow in salty sandy soil or clay loam. It can grow in warm temperate desert.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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