PLANT FACT SHEET

Lithocarpus tubulosus (Hickel & A. Camus) Camus

GENUS *Lithocarpus* **FAMILY** Fagaceae

COMMON NAMES Soi-vang, Hu zui ke

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Nuts

The fruit or nut is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows up to 15-20 m high. The trunk is 30-70 cm across. The bark is grey. The young branches are densely covered with yellow hairs. The leaf blade in 20-25 cm long by 7-10 cm wide. There can be male flowers, female flowers and flowers of both sexes. The cup completely encloses the nut. The nut is 1.2-1.7 cm long by 2-2.3 cm wide. It has small flattened hairs.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It needs light and wet conditions. It grows in evergreen forests below 700 m altitude. It is usually at the edge of the forest.

NOTES

There are about 300 Lithocarpus species.

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