PLANT FACT SHEET

Carapa guianensis Aubl.

GENUS *Carapa* **FAMILY** Meliaceae

COMMON NAMES Andiroba, Guianas crabwood

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Medicine, Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 30 m tall. It can have buttresses. The trunk can be 60-90 cm across. The leaves are alternate and the leaflets are opposite.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in seasonally flooded forests.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

Plants flower August to October and produce fruit January to April.

NOTES

The oil from the seeds is used as an anti-inflammatory medicine in the Amazon.

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