PLANT FACT SHEET

Pithecellobium keyense Britton ex Britton & Rose

GENUS *Pithecellobium* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Keys blackbead

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. The leaves are compound and have leaflets along the stalk. There are 2-4 leaflets. The leaves are green and leathery. The flowers are in heads and can be white to pink. The fruit are long coiled pods. They are brown to red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. It often grows in coastal areas on sand and limestone.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.
There are 2 plants with the same scientific name but different authorities.

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