PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain
It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Pithecellobium roseum (Vahl) Barneby & J. W. Grimes

GENUS *Pithecellobium* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Chancan, Tiraco

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 8-10 m tall. The trunk is 8-10 cm across. There are spines at the base of the short branches. The leaves are oval and taper to both ends. The flower buds are green. The fruit are pods and are green and red. The seeds are black and white.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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