PLANT FACT SHEET

Inga sertulifera DC.

GENUS *Inga* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit - aril, pod

The flesh around the seeds is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 5-15 m tall. The crown is round and spreading. The trunk is 10-30 cm across. It branches low down. The fruit are seed pods 7-13 cm long and 2.5 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in rainforests.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants grow easily from fresh seeds. Seeds germinate in 1-2 weeks given moisture and shade.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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