PLANT FACT SHEET

Cordia platythyrsa Baker

GENUS *Cordia* **FAMILY** Boraginaceae

COMMON NAMES West African cordia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 20-30 m high. The stem changes directions at the rings of branches. The trunk can be 1 m across. The leaves are almost round with a tip at the end. They are 15-20 cm long by 10-15 cm wide. There are 3 veins at the base and 3 pairs of side veins. The fruit are oval and fleshy and 1.5 cm long. There is a small point at the end. There are 1 or 2 seeds per fruit.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in secondary forest.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. Fresh seed germinate in 10-12 days.

NOTES

There are about 300 Cordia species.

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