PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Trichilia hirta L.

GENUS *Trichilia* **FAMILY** Meliaceae

COMMON NAMES Broom bitterwood

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized tree. The bark is brown or red. The leaves are long and have many pointed leaflets. These are almost opposite along the stalk. There is a leaflet at the end. This leaflet is at a slight angle. There are short hairs on the twigs and under the leaflets. The fruit are woody capsules. They open with 3 valves. The seeds have bright red coverings.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the dry zone.

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