PLANT FACT SHEET

Taralea oppositifolia Aubl.

GENUS *Taralea* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Opposite taralea, English tonka bean

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds - extract for flavouring

DESCRIPTION

A shrub with a climbing habit or a tree. It can grow 30 m tall. The leaves are opposite. They are divided with leaflets along the edges. The flowers are in groups in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. They are purple, streaked with violet.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests near rivers.

NOTES

It is mentioned as being used for medicine.

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