PLANT FACT SHEET

Chytroma simiorum (Benoist) R. Knuth

GENUS *Chytroma* **FAMILY** Lecythidaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Nuts

The nut without the shell is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 25 m tall. The bark is reddish-brown and peels in irregular plates. The leaves are oval and have a tip at the end. They are about 16-34 cm long by 9-15 cm wide. The flowers are 7 cm across. The fruit are round or oblong and 5-7 cm long by 5-8 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

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