PLANT FACT SHEET

Hymenaea oblongifolia var. palustris (Ducke) Lee & Langenh.

GENUS *Hymenaea* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Roble

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Layer around seeds, Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 35 m tall. The crown is umbrella shape. The leaves are compound with 2 leaflets along the stalk. These are unequal at the base. They have a brown coating underneath. The flowers are in long, dense groups. They are white or light pink. The fruit are pods that are oval and slightly flattened. There are 1-3 oblong seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It can grow in shade.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is very slow growing.

NOTES

Caesalpinaceae

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