PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain
It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Chukrasia tabularis A. Juss.

GENUS *Chukrasia* **FAMILY** Meliaceae

COMMON NAMES Chittagong wood, Burma almond tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The young fruit are possibly edible.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 25-35 m tall. The trunk is long and straight. It can be 20 m long and 1 m across. It has a large spreading crown. The bark is dark brown and coarsely cracked. The inner bark is red. The leaves are 30-85 cm long. There are 8-13 pairs of leaflets. These are 7-13 cm long by 3-5 cm wide. They are narrowly oval and taper to the tip. Young leaves have fine hairs. There are 7-10 pairs of side veins. The flowers are 3 cm across. They are pale red but often with a red tinge on the outside. They are in branched clusters. The fruit is yellowish grey and 4 cm long. It is slightly hairy when young. It becomes wrinkled when ripe. It splits into 3 sections. It is full of winged seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In the south of China it grows in mixed evergreen broad-leaved and deciduous forests between 300-1,600 m above sea level. It is usually on limestone mountains. In XTBG Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seeds. They can also be grown by cuttings and air-layering.

NOTES

There is only one Chukrasia species. It is used as medicine.

PICTURES



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