PLANT FACT SHEET

Juglans jamaicensis C. DC.

GENUS *Juglans* **FAMILY** Juglandaceae

COMMON NAMES West Indian walnut, Jamaican walnut

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nuts, Seeds

The seeds are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous tree. It grows 12 m tall. The trunk can be 45-60 cm across. The leaves are large and have leaflets along the stalk. The leaves are 30-50 cm long and have 16-20 leaflets. These have fine teeth. The leaflets are unequal at the base. The flowers are small and green. Flowers are in narrow clusters. Male and female flowers are in separate clusters on the same tree. The fruit are rounded and 4 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in wet forests especially along streams. It can grow at higher elevations.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are about 30 Juglans species. All species bear edible nuts.

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