PLANT FACT SHEET

Casearia barteri Masters

GENUS *Casearia* **FAMILY** Salicaceae

COMMON NAMES Punum

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Stem

The stem is used as a chew stick.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows about 20 m tall. The trunk can be 40 cm across. The leaves are oval and shiny green. The fruit are 4.5 cm long. The fruit split to expose seeds in a bright red aril.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in humid and swamp forests.

NOTES

There are 160-180 Casearia species. They are mostly in South America. 75 occur in tropical America. They have also been put in the plant family Flacourtiaceae.

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