PLANT FACT SHEET

Hymenaea verrucosa Gaertn.

GENUS *Hymenaea* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES East African copal, Zanzibar copal tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, seeds - aril, Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 20-40 m tall. The leaves are alternate and the leaflets are unequal. The flowers are in a panicle. They are small and white. The fruit is a pod. It is reddish brown. There are 1-3 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dry evergreen forest near the coast. It grows up to 100 m above sea level. In Brisbane Botanical gardens.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

Also as Caesalpinaceae.

PICTURES



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