PLANT FACT SHEET

Ailanthus triphysa (Dennst.) Alston

GENUS *Ailanthus* **FAMILY** Simaroubaceae

COMMON NAMES White bean, White siris

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen tree. It grows 15-20 m tall. The leaves are 30-60 cm long. The leaves have 6-17 pairs of leaflets along the stalk. The leaflets are oval and 15-20 cm long by 3-6 cm wide. They are wedge shaped or rounded at the base and taper to the tip. The flower panicles are in the axils of leaves. The fruit are 5-8 cm by 2-3 cm. The seeds are flat with a wing around them.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in open woodland below 100-600 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

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