PLANT FACT SHEET

Holarrhena floribunda (G. Don) T. Durand & Schinz

GENUS *Holarrhena* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES False rubber tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Stem

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or tree. It grows 17-25 m high. The trunk can be 30 cm across. The leaves are shiny. The flowers are white. They have a scent. The wood is soft. The fruit is pale grey to dark brown. There are 2 follicles that are 60 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in deciduous forest and savannah. It is often in palm groves and along river banks. It grows from sea level to 1,000 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed. Seed can simply be broadcast. It can also be grown from cuttings.

NOTES

It contains alkaloids and is used in medicine.

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