PLANT FACT SHEET

Shorea smithiana Symington

GENUS *Shorea* **FAMILY** Dipterocarpaceae

COMMON NAMES Rambai meranti tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nuts - oil

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 60 m tall. The trunk can be 160 cm across. It has buttresses 4 m tall. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are broadly oval to oblong and 12-20 cm long by 7-12 cm wide. They are papery to leathery and have grey hairs underneath. There are 14-17 pairs of secondary veins. The flowers are pink to red and 26 mm across They are in groups in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. The fruit is an oval nut 2 cm long. It has pale cream hairs. There are 3 longer lobes that are narrowly spoon shaped and 20 cm long by 3 cm wide and then 2 shorter lobes.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in Kalimantan in lowland dipterocarp forests up to 400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or stem cuttings.

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