PLANT FACT SHEET

Xylia evansii Hutch.

GENUS *Xylia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Stem, Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 35 m tall. The trunk is often fluted and bent. It is 160 cm across. It has large buttresses. The bark is brown and roughly scaly. The leaves are alternate and clustered at the ends of twigs. The leaves are compound and twice divided. There are 9-20 pairs of leaflets in the side shoots that are 10-35 cm long. The leaflets are narrowly oval and 9 cm long by 2 cm wide. They taper to the tips. The flowers are in a head 2 cm across. The fruit is a narrow pod. It is 20 cm long by 5 cm wide and flattened. It is slightly curved and brown. There are 4-9 seeds. The seeds are narrowly oval and 2 cm long by 1.5 cm wide and flattened. They are shiny.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the forests. It is usually on well-drained soils.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed. Seeds germinate in 4-10 days.

NOTES

There are 9 Xylia species. Also as Mimosaceae.

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