PLANT FACT SHEET

Chamaecrista pumila (Lam.) K.Larsen

GENUS *Chamaecrista* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A low lying herb. It grows 20-40 cm tall and spreads 0.5-1 m wide. The stems arise from a woody rootstock. The leaves are 1 cm long. There are 10-15 pairs of leaflets. These are about 1 cm long and very narrow. The flowers are 2 cm across. The occur singly in the axils of upper leaves. The flowers are yellow. The pods are 2-2.5 cm long by 0.5 cm wide and flattened.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in arid areas.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

NOTES

There are 100 Cassia species. This group has been revised to a smaller more consistent group. Also as Caesalpinaceae.

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