PLANT FACT SHEET

Cleome macrophylla (Klotzsch) Briq.

GENUS *Cleome* **FAMILY** Cleomaceae

COMMON NAMES Large-leaved cleome

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Stem, Flowers

They are cooked and the water changed several times before eating.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows each year from seeds. The leaves have 3 leaflets. The leaflets are more than 2 mm wide. The leaf stalks are long. The flowers are in groups at the ends of stalks. The flowers are mauve with purple markings. The fruit capsule is 7-10 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows along rivers and on shallow soil.

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