PLANT FACT SHEET

Cynometra megalophylla Harms

GENUS *Cynometra* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized tree. It grows 12-20 m high. The trunk can be 1 m across. It branches low down and can have many stems. The young leaves droop and are often red. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk in opposite pairs. The base of the leaflet is unequal. The flowers are white. The fruit are warted.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows along river banks. It grows in the rainforest. It grows in lowland regions. It suits humid locations. In Nigeria it is recorded up to 1,440 m above sea level.

NOTES

Also as Caesalpinaceae.

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