PLANT FACT SHEET

Vitex siamica F. N. Williams

GENUS *Vitex* **FAMILY** Lamiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten. They are slightly bitter.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2-18 m tall. The trunk can be 20-90 cm across. The bark is flaky and cracked. The leaves have 3 leaflets. The central leaflet is narrowly oval and 6-8 cm long by 3 cm wide. The side leaflets are 5 cm long by 2 cm wide. They are wedge shaped at the base and taper to the tip. The fruit are pale purple and 3-5 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows on limestone. It grows between 160-530 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Bornero plants flower May to July and fruit May to December.

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