PLANT FACT SHEET

Cassia sp.

GENUS *Cassia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves of some species have been reported as eaten.

CAUTION Many Cassia species contain poisonous alkaloids. They should only be eaten with extreme caution.

DESCRIPTION

Cassia spp. probably C occidentalis L. or C. siamea or C obtusifolia. A group of leguminous shrubs.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. They mainly occur in the tropical lowlands.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Mostly they are self sown 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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