PLANT FACT SHEET

Chamaedorea sartorii Liebm. in Mart.;

GENUS *Chamaedorea* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

COMMON NAMES Tepejilote

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers

DESCRIPTION

A small narrow palm. It has a single stem. This is 0.6-4 m tall and 0.8-1.6 cm across. There are 3-6 leaves that have leaflets along the stalk. There are 5-10 leaflets on each side. They are S shaped and 20-40 cm long and 4-7 cm wide. The flowering stalk is erect and branched. The male stalks have 30 hanging flowering branches densely covered with flowers. The females have 4-8 flowering branches. These have bright orange petals. They fruit are oval and 0.9-1.2 cm long by 7-8 mm wide. They are black.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in rainforest often on limestone soils. It grows between 100 and 1,300 m altitude.

NOTES

There are about 100 Chamaedorea species. They are mostly in Central America. There are 77 species in tropical America.

PICTURES



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