PLANT FACT SHEET

Crotalaria cleomifolia Welw. ex Baker

GENUS *Crotalaria* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Fruit, Vegetable

The leaves are cooked and eaten as a green vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A semi-woody shrub. It grows 2-4 m high. The leaves are compound. They have 3-5 leaflets each 5-11 cm long. The flowers are yellow. They are in groups 20-40 cm long at the ends of branches. The fruit are pods 4-5 cm long and contain 30-40 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in grassy or wooded savannah in damp sites near streams in West Africa. It grows between 1,150-2,650 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds. They can also be grown from semi-ripe cuttings.

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