PLANT FACT SHEET

Parkia nitida Miq.

GENUS *Parkia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Black nittatree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Fruit pods

The young fruit pods are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tall tree. It grows 35 m tall. The trunk is light brown and smooth. The leaves are compound and twice divided. The leaves are almost opposite. The flowers are white in round balls. The fruit are pods 15-32 cm long by 7-9 cm wide. There are 8-13 seeds. These are narrowly oval and black.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in wet forest.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.
The bark is used in medicine.

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