PLANT FACT SHEET

Inga chartacea Poeppig & Endl.

GENUS *Inga* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

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EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit - aril, pod

The white seed coat is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. The fruit is a long pod.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Colombia it grows from sea level to 1,000 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants grow easily from seeds. Seeds germinate in 1-2 weeks given moisture and shade.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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