PLANT FACT SHEET

Artocarpus anisophyllus Miq.

GENUS *Artocarpus* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Keledang babi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A medium to large tree. It grows to 24-45 m tall. The trunk can be 60 cm across. There can be buttresses 2.5 m high and 0.5 m wide. The bark is grey. The twigs are 10-20 mm thick. They have brown hairs and ring like scars. The leaves are large and deeply lobed. There are 5-12 alternate pairs of leaflets with a large then a small one. The leaflets are thickly leathery. The flowers occur on leafy twigs. Male and female flower heads are usually in pairs in the same leaf axil. The male heads are finger like and 3-7.5 cm long by 2 cm wide. The stalk is 50-60 mm long. The fruit are round and brown-yellow. They are 11-12.5 cm long by 8-10 cm wide. They are covered with closely set spines. The flesh is orange red in colour. It is sweet and edible. The seeds are oval and 17 mm long by 10 mm wide. They are covered with a thick orange coat. The fruit pulp and seeds are edible.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Malaysia it grows up to 650 m altitude. In Indonesia it can grow up to 1300 m altitude.

NOTES

There are about 50 Artocarpus species. They are in the tropics and subtropics of Asia and the Pacific.

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