



PLANT FACT SHEET

Inga ingoides (L.C. Rich.) Willd.

GENUS *Inga* FAMILY Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Warako-sa

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, pod, Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 10-25 m tall. The twigs are fairly thick. They are angular and have a reddish-brown covering when young. The leaves are compound. The leaflets are papery. They hang down when young. The flower heads are in the axils of leaves. They are short and dense. The fruit is a cylinder shaped pod. It is usually twisted. It is 35 cm long by 1 cm across. It has a yellow-brown covering. They have furrows along them. The seeds are in a sweet edible, white pulp.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in the coastal plain in wet or dry areas.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

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

NOTES

There are 350 *Inga* species. Also as Mimosaceae.

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