PLANT FACT SHEET

Cassia venusta F. Muell.

GENUS *Cassia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Grubs

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It grows 1-3 m high and spreads 1-1.5 m wide. Young shoots have long silky hairs. The leaves are 15-20 cm long and the 6-15 pairs of leaflets are 2-4 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. The flowering stalks are 40 cm long. The fruit is a pod 5-7 cm long by 1 cm wide and flat.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in northern coastal areas in Australia.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Plants are very fast growing.

NOTES

There are 100 Cassia species. This group has been revised to a smaller more consistent group. Also as Caesalpinaceae.

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