PLANT FACT SHEET

Senegalia polyacantha (Willd.) Seigler & Ebinger

GENUS *Senegalia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES White thorn, Mukoka

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Gum, Seed

The gum is used for candy.
The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It can grow 25 m tall. The bark is pale yellow to white and flakes off. It has hooked prickles in pairs on the branches. The leaves have 13-40 pairs of pinnae and 26-65 pairs of leaflets on each. The flowers are in long white spikes. The fruit is a straight long brown pod.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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