



TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

Inga spectabilis

COLOMBIAN COMMON NAME

Guamo, guauro

TREE FAMILY

LEGUMINOSAE

AVERAGE LEAF SIZE (CM)

18cm × 10cm
Length Width

DISTRIBUTION

 NATIVE TO COLOMBIA

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (M)

0-1400m

TREE HEIGHT

MEDIUM (20-35M)



NATIVE TO

Region: Americas
Latin America: Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Galapagos, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Venezuela
Colombia: Antioquia, Boyacá, Cauca, Cundinamarca, Huila, Nariño, Santander, Tolima, Valle del Cauca

COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM

 ARABICA

COFFEE IMPACT

✓ BENEFICIAL TO COFFEE

TREE MANAGEMENT

Propagated by seeds and cuttings.

CULTIVATION

 PLANTED
 NATURAL

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES

   
Food, Fuelwood, Lumber, Medicinal
Edible fruit Used for building construction.

FARM SERVICES

   
Coffee Shade, Soil Improvement, Nitrogen Fixation, Carbon Capture
Helps with nitrogen fixation in soil through the roots

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS

✓ YES
Attracts biological control agents, Attracts seed dispersers, Attracts pollinators. Guamos attract resident and migratory warblers, the latter in search of insects to eat before embarking on their journey back to North America.

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