



TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

*Persea rigens*

ENGLISH COMMON NAME

Timber Sweetwood

COLOMBIAN COMMON NAME

Nuquetoro, Piedro, Laurel piedrdo

TREE FAMILY

Lauraceae

Average Leaf Size (cm)

26cm × 11cm  
Length Width

DISTRIBUTION



NATIVE TO COLOMBIA

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (m)

1000–2000m

TREE HEIGHT

MEDIUM (20–35m)



COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM



ARABICA

COFFEE IMPACT

Unknown

TREE MANAGEMENT

Propagated by seeds. Requires shade for its development.

CULTIVATION



PLANTED



NATURAL

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES



Lumber, Ornamental

Used to adorn and decorate spaces Used for fine woodworking and construction.

FARM SERVICES



Coffee Shade, Soil Improvement, Reforestation, Water Protection

Sombrio. Shade. Forests and streams enrichment, agroforestry systems. Soil conservation and recovery of degraded areas. Natural disasters prevention.

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS



YES

Attracts biological control agents, Attracts seed dispersers, Attracts pollinators. Fruits are consumed by birds (guans, toucans) and mammals (squirrels and spectacled bears), and flowers are visited by bees. Due to its large seeds, it has a relationship with the mountain guan, which ensures seed dispersal and reproduction.

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