



TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

Bixa urucurana

PERU COMMON NAME

Palo achioté

TREE FAMILY

BIXACEAE

AVERAGE LEAF SIZE (CM)

17.5cm × 12.5cm

Length Width

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (M)

200–600m

TREE HEIGHT

SMALL (10–20M)



DISTRIBUTION



NATIVE TO PERU

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Region: Americas

Latin America: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela

COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM



ARABICA

COFFEE IMPACT

Unknown

TREE MANAGEMENT

Unknown

CULTIVATION



NATURAL

PREVALENCE

Unknown

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES



Food, Firewood, Medicinal, Product, Ceremonial

Used as a colorant in cosmetics. It is used to relieve pain and for the treatment of diabetes and skin infections. The leaves are used to treat hepatitis and cough. In the past some Indigenous groups used orange sap to paint their bodies in rituals and religious ceremonies, and also as a repellent against mosquitoes.

FARM SERVICES

Unknown

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS

No

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