
TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

Ceroxylon peruvianum

PERU COMMON NAME

Pona

TREE FAMILY

ARECACEAE

AVERAGE LEAF SIZE (CM)

Unknown

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (M)

130–3000M

TREE HEIGHT

SMALL (10–20M)



DISTRIBUTION



NATIVE TO PERU

NATIVE TO

Region: Americas

Latin America: Peru

COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM

ARABICA

COFFEE IMPACT

BENEFICIAL TO COFFEE

CULTIVATION

PLANTED
 NATURAL

PREVALENCE

Unknown

TREE MANAGEMENT

Planted by seeds. There are basic external conditions that affect the percentage of palm seed germination in nature—some take up to 100 days or more to germinate, with an average germination rate of 20% of seeds, but despite this low germination rate, palm trees survive due to their prolific seed production.

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES



Food, Lumber, Medicinal, Product, Ceremonial

It is widely used as poles for public lighting, boundary fences and water gutters. Used mainly in construction. The hard stem fibers are used in the construction of homes, masonry for electric light networks, fence of paddocks, water conduction from springs to dwellings distant from public services, and as sleeping mats in muddy areas.

FARM SERVICES



Coffee Shade

Coffee Shade: used as a shade supplier in livestock pastures and as a component in plots associated with agricultural crops

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS

No

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