



TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

Socratea exorrhiza

PERU COMMON NAME

Cashapona

TREE FAMILY

ARECACEAE

AVERAGE LEAF SIZE (CM)

250cm × —
Length Width

DISTRIBUTION

**NATIVE TO PERU**

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (M)

0–1150M

TREE HEIGHT

MEDIUM (20–35M)

NATIVE TO

Region: Americas**Latin America:** Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guyana, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Suriname, Venezuela

COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM

**ARABICA**

COFFEE IMPACT

Unknown

TREE MANAGEMENT

The greatest seed germination success occurs with a combination of mechanical scarification and irrigation.

CULTIVATION

**PLANTED****NATURAL**

PREVALENCE

Unknown

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES

**Food, Livestock Forage, Firewood, Lumber, Medicinal, Product**Used for construction. The trunk is used to build floors and walls of houses. The exterior trunk is flexible and smooth and is used for flooring. The thorny roots are used to cut coconut (*Cocos nucifera*) and yucca (*Manihot esculenta*).

FARM SERVICES

Unknown

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS

✓ YES

Used by frugivorous and insectivorous birds, monkeys, capuchins and tamarins.

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