



## WEST INDIAN CEDAR

*(Cedrela odorata)*

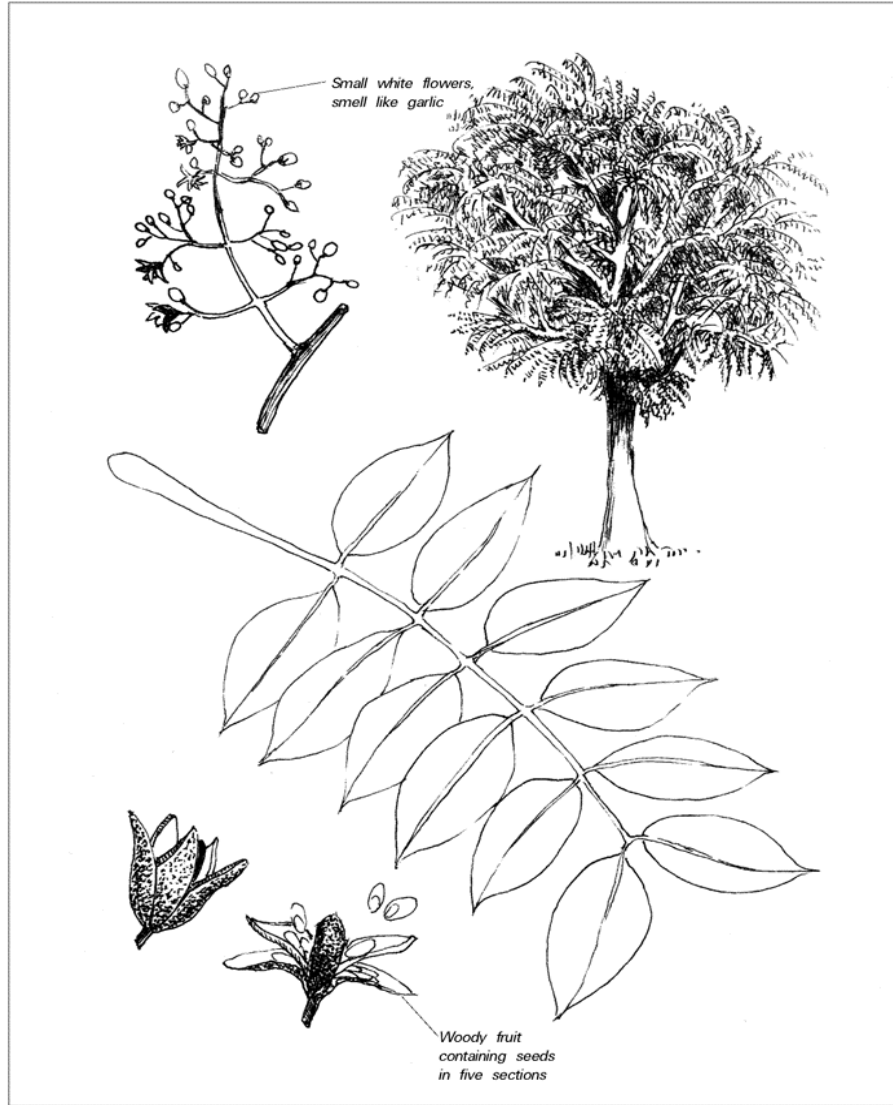
This tree was once common in pastures and along roadsides but because of its economic importance few large trees remain. The plant is a native of the West Indies, Central and South America and grows up to 20 m. It is a close relative of the West Indian Mahogany.

The leaves are compound and can grow to 80 cm long with an average of six to seven pairs of leaflets. The flowers are small, white and smell like garlic. The fruit is 2.5-4.5 cm long. Flowers appear in December to February and the fruits during January to April. Plants will grow at an altitude of 30-1000 m.

The wood is used in cabinet-making, the making of cigar boxes and shingles. The wood repels moths so it is frequently used in the making of drawers and shelves used for storing clothes and linen.

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Family: <b>Meliaceae</b>	Species: <i>Cedrela odorata</i>	Author: Linnaeus
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Height: 20m	Habitat: Sea level-1000m	Persistence: Evergreen
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