



INDIGENOUS GARDEN

Diploglottis australis (Tamarind)

Indigenous use

The native tamarind is valued as an indigenous fruit tree because the fruit may be eaten raw or added to jams and chutneys. It can also be used as the basis for a tangy cool drink.

Description

Large Leaf Tamarind is a slender, palm-like gully tree that bears sweet, tart fruits prolifically each season. Creamy brown flowers form in Spring, maturing from October to January and fruits will fall from the tree when ripe.



Habitat

Diploglottis australis occurs naturally in temperate and sub-tropical regions along the east coast of Australia. This tree can grow to 8m tall in full sun or part shade, as long as it's sheltered from strong winds and frosts.