Cascalote (Common Name)

Caesalpinia cacalaco (Scientific Name)



PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Canopy potential: 10' - 20' wide

Annual Growth Rate: 12"- 24"

Powerline Friendly: 10' – 20' from base

Root Damage Potential: Low

Leaves: Leaflets ¾ inch and less, medium to dark green.

Flowers: Large candelabra yellow flowers on terminal spikes.



ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Water Use: Low

Edible Fruit Producing: No

Allergenic: Moderate

BVOC Emissions: Moderate

Sonoran Desert Native: No

Invasive Species: No



Tree Care: Relatively low maintenance. Pune dead/crossing branches in the summer. Weekly irrigation during summer, monthly in winter. Fertilizer is not needed, but slow-release or organic fertilizer can be used.

Ecosystem Services: Excellent source of phenolics such as gallic and tannic acids used in the Mexican tannery industry.

