



Flowering Trees

Hevea brasiliensis (Willd. ex A.Juss.) Müll.Arg. (Para rubber tree) of the family Euphorbiaceae is a tall handsome tree widely distributed in the Amazon forests, sometimes planted as an ornamental and cultivated in most tropical countries.

Tree upto 60 feet; leaves alternate or subopposite of 3 pinnate-veined leaflets. Leaflets long, glabrous, elliptic, acuminate, narrow or cuneate at base. Inflorescence is pyramidal, shorter than leaves, flowers white-tomentose; fruit dehiscent into a 2-valved cocci. Bark when cut open yields a milky latex, which is the primary source of natural rubber.