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Cedrela fissilis



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Taxonomy [top]

Kingdom Phylum Class Order Family PLANTAETRACHEOPHYTAMAGNOLIOPSIDASAPINDALESMELIACEAE

Scientific Name: Cedrela fissilis

Species Authority: Vell.

Common Name/s:

Spanish—Cedro, Cedro Batata, Cedro Blanco, Cedro Branco, Cedro Colorado, Cedro Misionero, Cedro Rosdao, Cedro Vermelho

Assessment Information [top]

Red List Category &

Endangered A1acd+2cd ver 2.3 Criteria:

Year Published: 1998

Annotations: Needs updating

Americas Regional Workshop (Conservation & Sustainable Management of Assessor/s:

Trees, Costa Rica, November 1996)

Reviewer/s: Contributor/s:

Geographic Range [top]

Native:

Countries: Argentina (Jujuy, Misiones, Salta, Tucumán); Bolivia; Brazil (Rio Grande do Sul, Santa

Catarina); Colombia; Costa Rica; Ecuador; Panama; Paraguay; Peru; Venezuela

Range

Click here to open the map viewer and explore range. Map:

Population [top]

At one time an abundant and wide-ranging species. Overexploitation has resulted in the species becoming threatened in Colombia and Amazonian Peru. Most natural subpopulations in Ecuador have been destroyed. Some large trees remain in Cuyabeno but they are being felled for export to Colombia. The species has become rare in Bolivia and is now only harvested opportunistically whilst mahogany, Amburana and Machaerium are being sought-

Population: after. It is apparently still abundant in the Región Oriental in Paraguay, especially along the Paraná valley. Subpopulations in Argentina are restricted to the north, where they are partly contained within subandean piedmont forest, a habitat which is under severe threat. In Central America there are very few individuals in Costa Rica, if any at all, and few in Panama. The timber is considered inferior to C. odorata, but is sold with the latter in mixed batches. In Suriname, the species is still reasonably common (P. Teunissen pers. comm 2006).

Habitat and Ecology [top]

Habitat and Ecology:Lowland forest types.

Systems: Terrestrial

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Threats [top]

Major Subpopulations throughout its range have been decimated by overexploitation and

Threat(s): habitat loss.

Americas Regional Workshop (Conservation & Sustainable Management of Trees, Costa

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