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Tabebuia rosea

[Synonyms : *Couralia rosea*, *Sparattosperma rosea*, *Tabebuia mexicana*, *Tabebuia pentaphylla*, *Tabebuia punctatissima*, *Tecoma evenia*, *Tecoma mexicana*, *Tecoma punctatissima*, *Tecoma rosea*]

PINK POUI is an evergreen tree (deciduous in temperate climates). Native from Mexico to Venezuela it has large yellow-throated, white to mauve flowers.

It is also known as *Kibra hacha* (Dutch), Pink cedar, Pink tecoma, Pink trumpet tree, *Poirier* (French), *Roble*, *Roble blanco* (Spanish), Rosy trumpet tree, Trumpet tree, West Indian boxwood, and White cedar.

The flowers are short-lived.

Rosea means ‘rose-like, rosy or rose-coloured’.

The tree and the flower are a national emblem of El Salvador.

Pink poui is often cultivated as a shade tree on coffee (*Coffea*) and cocoa (*Theobroma*) plantations.

The hard and durable, heavy wood is used for cabinetwork, carving and construction.