Using Moringa seed for water purification



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Moringa Stenopetala









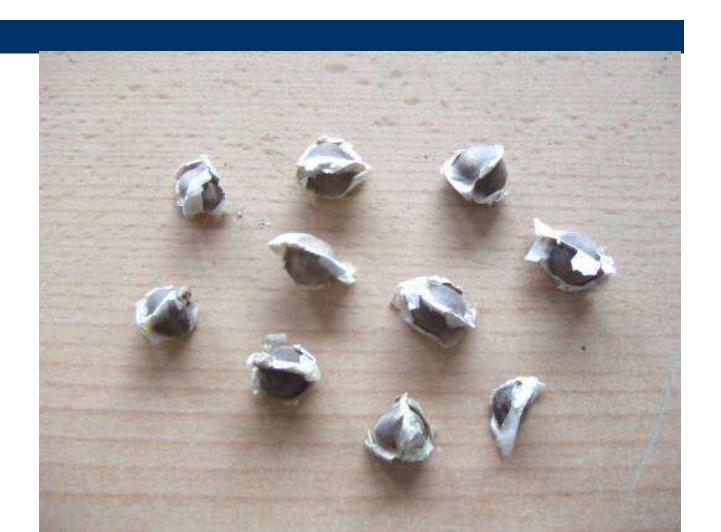


REAP Moringa seeds with outer seed coat





For 20 litres of water one needs 10 seeds





Dosage Rates:

- Low turbidity NTU<50
 1 seed per 4 litres (4.225 qt) water
- Medium turbidity NTU 50-150
 1 seed per 2 litres (2.112 qt) water
- High turbidity NTU 150-250
 1 seed per 1 litre (1.056 qt) water
- Extreme turbidity NTU >250
 2 seeds per 1 litre (1.056 qt) water



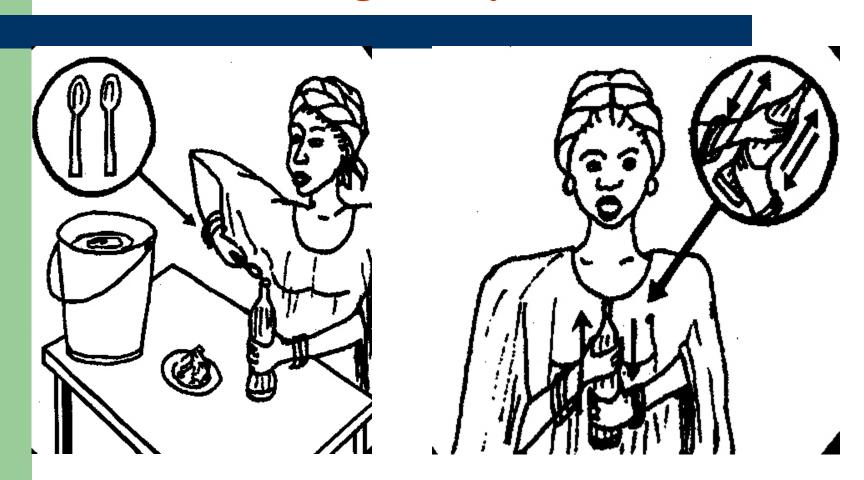
Procedure

- 1. Remove the shells.
- 2. Pound the white seeds.
- 3. Shake with a little clean water in a soda bottle.

One good use for such a bottle!



Shake vigorously for 5 minutes





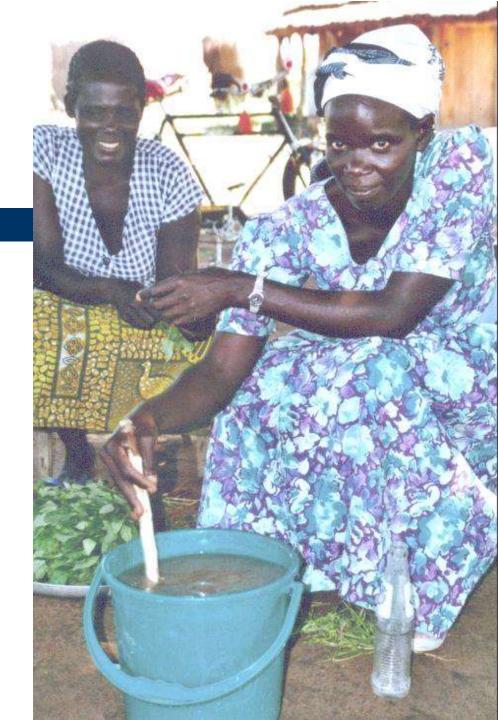
Pour through a sieve





Stir slowly for 15 minutes

and wait!





Contaminated
water before and
after Moringa
treatment

Photo by Beth Doerr

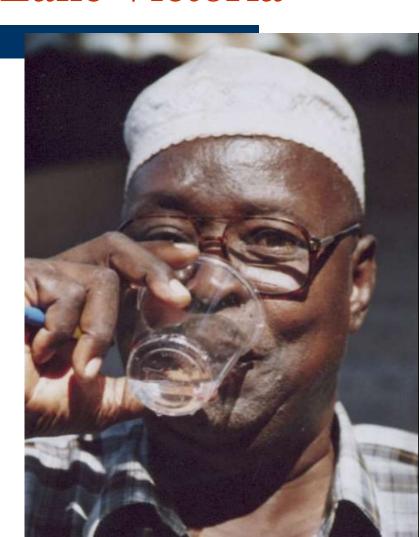




In Kendu Bay, on the shores of Lake Victoria

it really was like a miracle.

"Once again we could drink make tea with lake water – and taste the tea!"





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