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Here is a report on close-up photography of mapola flowers near El Chal, Peten, Guatemala.

It was possible to find two trees near El Chal, El Peten (en route to Poptun) where the branches were low enough to do macro close-up photography.

Plus at El Chal the owner of the finca gave us permission to cut samples of the flowers so we could set up a studio (flowers on the tree branches blow in the wind, so tough to get non-blurry images, even with high ISO, high speed, and flash).

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