PLANT FACT SHEET

Coccoloba cujabensis Wedd.

GENUS *Coccoloba* **FAMILY** Polygonaceae

COMMON NAMES Cuyana seagrape

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Flowers

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 8-12 m high. The trunk is twisted and 60-80 cm across. The leaves are simple and alternate. The leaves are oval and smooth. They are 7-10 cm long by 7-8 cm wide. The base is heart shaped. The central vein is easy to see and there are 5-6 side veins. The flowers hang down. They are 5 mm across. The fruit are 10 mm long by 12 mm wide. The seeds are black.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Bolivia it grows below 700 m altitude.

NOTES

There are between 120-200 Coccoloba species in tropical America.

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