PLANT FACT SHEET

Cuervea kappleriana (Miq.) A.C. Smith

GENUS *Cuervea* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

COMMON NAMES Karoshiri

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Nuts

DESCRIPTION

A liana or creeper. The leaves are opposite. The flowering groups are 5-12 cm long. The fruit stalk can be 7 cm long. The fruit is a capsule. There are 3 sections. They are 5-9 cm long by 5-10 cm wide and 1-1.5 cm thick. There are 4-6 seeds. They are 2 cm long and 2 cm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in coastal areas and along rivers in the forest.

NOTES

Also put in the family Hippocrateaceae.

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