PLANT FACT SHEET

Ficus sinuata Thunb.

GENUS *Ficus* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Bird fig tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A fig. It is a shrub or small tree. It grows 2-6 m tall. It can be attached to other plants. The branches are drooping. The leaves are narrowly oval and 5-20 cm long by 2-8 cm wide. The fruit is a fig. It is a flattened round shape and 1 cm across. It grows in the axils of leaves. It is orange-red. There are usually 2-6 fruit together.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forest up to 1,500 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds and by air-layering. Fruit are fertilised by a particular wasp.

NOTES

There are about 800-1000 Ficus species. They are mostly in the tropics. There are 120 Ficus species in tropical America.

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