PLANT FACT SHEET

Calycanthus occidentalis Hook. & Arn.

GENUS *Calycanthus* **FAMILY** Calycanthaceae

COMMON NAMES California allspice

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark - spice

CAUTION: It is most likely poisonous.
The bark is used as a spice.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub. It grows 3 m high and spreads 2 m wide. The stem is erect and branching. The leaves are oval and taper to the tip. They are green and 15 cm long. They are downy underneath. The flowers are red and 7.5 cm across. They have a scent.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is best in a rich moist soil. It needs a protected partly shaded location. It is damaged by drought and frost.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seed or cuttings.

NOTES

There are 2 or 3-6 Calycanthus species. There are 4 genera in the Calycanthaceae.

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