PLANT FACT SHEET

Syzygium tripinnatum (Blanco) Merr.

GENUS *Syzygium* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit can be eaten raw. They are also used for juice, jam and jelly.

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized evergreen tree. It grows 20 m tall. The end branches are flattened. The leaves are simple, opposite and papery. They are dark green. They are narrowly oval and 8-11 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. The flowering shoots are at the ends of branches and are 4-6 cm long. The fruit are oval and 2 cm across. They are white but turn dark red when ripe. There is one large seed.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown by seed. They can be grafted.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Seedlings bear in 5-7 years. Grafted trees bear in 3-4 years.

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