PLANT FACT SHEET

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It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Gymnostoma sumatranum (Jungh. ex de Vriese) L. A. S. Johnson

GENUS *Gymnostoma* **FAMILY** Casuarinaceae

COMMON NAMES Ru, Sumatrana ru

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 5-10 m tall. It can be 40 m tall with a trunk 60 cm across. It can has a twisted or fluted buttress. The wigs are needle like and the leaves are scale-like and wrap around the needle like twigs. Male flowers are like a spike and female flowers are in a compact head. The fruit are green.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics. It grows between 600-1,800 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seeds. It can also be grown by rooted cuttings.

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