PLANT FACT SHEET

Saurauia roxburghii Wall.

GENUS *Saurauia* **FAMILY** Actinidiaceae

COMMON NAMES Singkrang

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub or small tree. It grows 6 m tall. The trunk is short. The crown is narrow. The branches are thick and spreading. The bark is dark brown and cracks. The leaves are 18-35 cm long by 5-9 cm wide. They are clustered near the ends of the twigs. They are dark green and sword shaped. There are fine teeth along the edge. The flowers are white or pink and 1 cm across. They are in short clusters of 3-15 flowers. They hang on old woody stems and trunks. The fruit are 1.2 cm across. They are greenish-yellow.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in moist open places. In Sikkim it grows between 300-1,000 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Sikkim fruit are available in February.

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