PLANT FACT SHEET

Laurus azorica (Seub.) Franco

GENUS *Laurus* **FAMILY** Lauraceae

COMMON NAMES Canary Island bay tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - flavouring, Fruit

The leaves and fruit are used to flavour a range of dishes.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It can grow 10-15 m tall. The leaves are larger than common bay leaves. The shoots are hairy. The leaves are alternate and narrowly oval. They are shiny and dark green. The flowers are creamy white and 1 cm across. They are in pairs beside the leaf. The fruit is a black berry 1-2 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in forests.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds. Trees can be pruned to shape.

NOTES

There are 2 Laurus species.

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