PLANT FACT SHEET

Fernandoa adenophylla (Wall. ex Don) Steenis

GENUS *Fernandoa* **FAMILY** Bignoniaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Fruit

The flowers are eaten fresh or in stir fries.
The fruit are grilled and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous tree. It grows 15 m high. The trunk has smooth shallow cracks. The bark is pale brown. The leaves are 45 cm long. The leaves have 2-4 pairs of leaflets and a leaflet at the end. These are rusty hairy underneath. The flowers are broadly funnel shaped. They are cream or yellow brown. They are in short erect clusters at the ends of the branches. The fruit pods are ribbed and twisted in spirals. They are up to 90 cm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It is native to Indochina and Malesia. It grows in open forest and secondary forest. It grows in limestone areas. It grows in coastal areas up to 100 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

Harvesting and Seed Production

In NE Thailand flowers and fruit occur October to December.

NOTES

There are 15 Fernandoa species.

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