PLANT FACT SHEET

Leea aequata Linn.

GENUS *Leea* **FAMILY** Vitaceae

COMMON NAMES Ginggiyang

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. The small branches have ridges along them. They have rusty hairs. The leaves have 1 or 2 leaflets along the stalk. The leaf stalks have rusty hairs. The leaves are oval and 6-22 cm long by 3-7 cm wide. The fruit is 5-7 mm across and has 4-6 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forests and shrublands between 200-1,100 m above sea level in S China.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

Harvesting and Seed Production

In China plants flower in April to May and fruit July to September.

NOTES

Also put in the family Leeaceae. Leeaceae occur in the tropics. There are about 30-70 Leea species. It has an oil which stops the growth of bacteria Mycobacterium tuberculosis.

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