PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Moutabea aculeata* (Ruiz & Pav.) Peopp. & Endl.

**GENUS** *Moutabea* **FAMILY** Polygalaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Prickly moutabea

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Fruit

## DESCRIPTION

A creeper or slender tree. It can be 30 m long. The fruit are 3.5 cm long by 3 cm wide. They have a yellow pulp. There are 4 light brown seeds. These are 2 cm long by 1 cm wide. The pulp is eaten.

## HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in floodplain forests and on uplands. It grows up to 1,500 m above sea level in the Andes.

## PRODUCTION

### Harvesting and Seed Production

Food are produced in the rainy season. Fruit are harvested from the ground.

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