PLANT FACT SHEET

Pradosia ptychandra (Eyma) Pennington

GENUS *Pradosia* **FAMILY** Sapotaceae

COMMON NAMES Balata pomier, Kimboto

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The pulp of the fruit is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 25 m high. The trunk is 55 cm across. The young shoots have soft flattened hairs. The leaves are clustered in spirals. They are 12-22 cm long by 5-8 cm wide. The flowers are in tufts on small twigs and on the trunk. The stalks are up to 2 cm long. They are brown and hairy. The fruit can occur singly or in groups. The fruit is a round or oval berry. It is 4 cm long by 3-5 cm wide. It is green and turns orange or yellow as it ripens. The pulp is pale yellow and edible. There are 1 or 2 large brown seeds. These are 2.5 cm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in semi-evergreen seasonal forest. It grows between 200-600 m altitude. It grows on clay or sand.

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