PLANT FACT SHEET

Cinnamomum burmannii (Nees) Blume

GENUS *Cinnamomum* **FAMILY** Lauraceae

COMMON NAMES Indonesian cassia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark, Leaves, Spice

The bark is an important source of spice. It is used as a substitute for cassia bark.
The leaves are also used for flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 4-11 m tall. The trunk can be 30 cm across. The bark is smooth and dark grey. It is red and cassia scented inside. The small branches are slender and green. The leaves are alternate and oval or sword shaped. They are 5.5-10.5 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. They are leathery. The flower stalk is shorter than the leaves. The fruit are berries 5-7 mm across. They are blue.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forests and along streams between 100-1400 m altitude in China in the southern regions. In XTBG Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds. It can be grown from root cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 250 Cinnamomum species.

PICTURES



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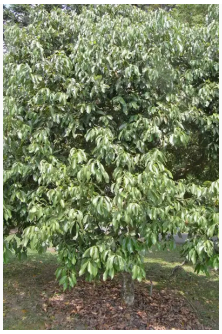

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