PLANT FACT SHEET

Antrocaryon amazonicum (Ducke) B. L. Burrt & A. W. Hill

GENUS *Antrocaryon* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Amazonas antrocaryon

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten and used in cool drinks and also for making ice cream.
Fruit need to be eaten as soon as it ripens as it cannot be stored.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It loses many leaves during the year. It grows 30 m tall and has an open crown. The trunk is 60-90 cm across and has buttresses. Trees are separately male and female. The fruit is 2 cm long by 3 cm wide. The fruit is yellow.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in lowland rainforest below 500 m above sea level. It is best in a sunny position. It can tolerate occasional flooding. It grows in flood plains in the Amazon.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from fresh seeds. Seeds should be cleaned and planted fresh. Seeds germinate in 80-100 days.

NOTES

There are 5 Antrocaryon species.

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