PLANT FACT SHEET

Phytocrene macrophylla var. macrophylla Wall.

GENUS *Phytocrene* **FAMILY** Icacinaceae

COMMON NAMES Fountain tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Sap

A watery, drinkable sap flows from the stems.

DESCRIPTION

A creeper or climber. It can grow 25 m long. It has brown hairs and prickles. The leaves are round and with a heart shaped base. They usually have 3-5 lobes. The flowers are white with red centres.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

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