PLANT FACT SHEET

Syzygium legatii Burtt Davy & Greenway

GENUS *Syzygium* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

COMMON NAMES Mountain waterberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten as a snack.

DESCRIPTION

A small to medium sized tree. It grows 3-8 m high. It has a single stem that branches low down. The branches are dark brown. The twigs are square. The leaves are opposite and erect. They are 2-6 cm long by 1-3 cm wide. They taper to a point. They are dark green and glossy above and more pale underneath. Young growth is pink. Leaves are stiffly leathery. The flowers are small and white. They are in heads at the ends of branches. The fruit is an oval berry 15 mm long and wide. They turn dark purple of black when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in rocky grassland.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from fresh seed. Seeds germinate better in shaded places.

NOTES

It is an at risk species.

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