PLANT FACT SHEET

Osteomeles anthyllidifolia (J. E. Smith) Lindley

GENUS *Osteomeles* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Ulei, Hawaii hawthorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A rambling shrub. It grows about 60 cm tall. The stems are arching. The shoots are covered with white hairs. The leaves are 5 cm long. The leaves have small leaflets along the stalk. There are 11-15 leaflets which a 8 mm long. The leaflets are dark green and hairy underneath. The flowers are small and white. They are 1.3 cm across. They are in loose clusters at the ends of the stems. The fruit are pale pink berries. They ripen to bluish-black.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It does best with moderate moisture or fairly dry. It can grow in an average, well-drained soil. It needs full sun. It grows on coral rocks near the sea and near sea level. It suits hardiness zones 9-12.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It is grown from seed or by cuttings.

NOTES

There are 3 Osteomeles species.

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