PLANT FACT SHEET

Elaeagnus oldhamii Maximowicz

GENUS *Elaeagnus* **FAMILY** Elaeagnaceae

COMMON NAMES Little persimmon

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub or small tree. There are silver scales on young branches. The leaves are papery and a fattened oval shape. They are 3-6 cm long by 2-3 cm wide. There are 4-6 pairs of side veins. The flowers are white and in groups. The fruit are almost round and 7-9 mm long. They are red. The seeds are 7-8 mm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Taiwan it grows below 500 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In China plants flower in November and December and fruit is February and March.

NOTES

There are 45 Elaeagnus species.

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