PLANT FACT SHEET

Wendlandia luzoniensis DC

GENUS *Wendlandia* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Ladew

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers - flavouring

The flowers are added to sugarcane wine as flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 4-6 m tall. The branches are flattened or 4 sided. The leaves are opposite and 10-20 cm long by 5-7 cm wide. The flowers are in pyramid shaped panicles 10-12 cm long by 12-15 cm wide. The flowers are tube shaped, white and don't have stalks. The fruity are round and somewhat woody capsule 1-2 mm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in Luzon and Bontoc in the Philippines.

NOTES

There are 70 Wendlandia species.

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