PLANT FACT SHEET

Byrsonima lucida (Mill.) Rich.

GENUS *Byrsonima* **FAMILY** Malpighiaceae

COMMON NAMES Guana-berry, Locust berry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are edible.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen tree. It grows 10 m high. The leaves are narrow and spoon shaped. They are 5-8 cm long. They are shiny and blue-green. They are clustered towards the tips of the twigs. The flowers are in round groups. They become pink, red or yellow with age. The fruit is fleshy and round. It is brown. It is edible.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It needs an average, well-drained soils. It can grow in full or part sun. It suits seasonally moist and dry regions. It has some salt tolerance. It suits hardiness zones 9-12.

NOTES

There are 127 Byrsonima species. They grow in tropical America.

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