PLANT FACT SHEET

Acronychia wilcoxiana (F. Muell.) T. Hartley

GENUS *Acronychia* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES Silver aspen

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tall shrub. It grows 3-9 m high and spreads 3-5 m across. It has a round to spreading crown. The leaves are 7-20 cm long and 2-9 cm wide. There is only one leaflet. It is shaped like an ellipse and has a blunt end. These leaves are attractive large shiny leaves. They are paler under the leaf. The flowers are 1.5-2 cm across. They are yellowish. They occur in many flowered clusters 4-6 cm long. The fruit is 0.8-1.5 cm across and 4-8 lobed. It is juicy/fleshy and white when mature.

HABITAT

It occurs in coastal regions of New South Wales and Queensland in Australia. It is a rainforest plant suiting subtropical to warm temperate areas. It requires well drained soil. It responds to watering in the dry season. It can grow on sandy soils. It can grow in shade or sun.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It is grown from seed. The seed are difficult to germinate. It can also be grown from cuttings.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Fruit mature April to May.

NOTES

There are 42-50 Acronychia species.

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