PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Galbulimima belgraveana (F. Muell.) Sprague

GENUS *Galbulimima* **FAMILY** Magnoliaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Caution: Tea made from the leaves and bark of this plant causes deep sleep or hallucinogenic dreams.

DESCRIPTION

A large tree. It can grow 15-36 m high. The leaves are in spirals spaced along the branch. The leaves are 6-16 cm long by 3-8 cm wide. The upper leaf surface is shiny green and underneath it is green or brown. The flowers are yellow-brown. They occur singly in the axils of the leaves. The fruit are 2-3 cm long. They are red and fleshy. The seed can be 1 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in most provinces of mainland Papua New Guinea.

NOTES

Now also put in the family Himantandraceae.

PICTURES



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