PLANT FACT SHEET

Gonocaryum lobbianum (Miers) Kurz

GENUS *Gonocaryum* **FAMILY** Cardiopteridaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves, Vegetable

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2-8 m tall. The leaves are shiny and light green underneath. They are oval and 9-20 cm long by 4-10 cm wide. Male and female flowers can be on separate trees. The fruit is fleshy and turns from green to purple or black as it matures. They are oval and 3-5 cm long by 2-3 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dense valley forests between 500-1,800 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In China plants flower in January to April and fruit March to October.

NOTES

Sometimes also put in the family Icacinaceae.

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