PLANT FACT SHEET

Garcinia gummi-gutta var. papilla (Wight) N. P. Singh

GENUS *Garcinia* **FAMILY** Clusiaceae

COMMON NAMES Malabar gamboge

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit - spice

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 25 m tall. The bark is rough and grey to brown. It has a yellow gum. The leaves are simple and opposite. They are 7-15 cm long by 2-7 cm wide. The flowers can be in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. The female flowers often occur singly. The fruit is a fleshy berry. There are 1-12 seeds. They are covered in a juicy white pulp.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

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