PLANT FACT SHEET

Ficus grossularioides Burm.f.

GENUS *Ficus* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES White-leafed fig, Kebak

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The young leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A fig. It is a shrub or small tree. It grows 7 m tall. The trunk can be 15-35 cm across. The stem has white sap. The leave are alternate and simple or with 3-7 lobes. Leaves smooth on bottom, rough on top. They are pale and hairy underneath. Fruit orange when ripe. Fruit edible when ripe. They are 11 cm across. They grow on the twigs.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It can be on open forest and swamp forest. It grows up to 400 m above sea level. It is often along rivers and streams and is usually on sandy soils.

NOTES

There are about 800-1000 Ficus species. They are mostly in the tropics. There are 120 Ficus species in tropical America.

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