PLANT FACT SHEET

Sambucus nigra subsp. peruviana (Kunth) Bolli

GENUS *Sambucus* **FAMILY** Viburnaceae

COMMON NAMES Peruvian elderberry, Peru black elder

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten. They are also used for drinks and jams.
The flowers are made into fritters.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 8-12 m tall. The trunk is irregular shaped. It loses its leaves during the year. The leaves are compound with 7-9 leaflets. These have teeth along the edge and are hairy underneath. The flowers are white and in groups 18-22 cm long. They have a scent. The fruit are black berries 1.2 cm across. They have 3-5 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It the tropics it grows at higher elevations and can be over 3,000 m above sea level. In Argentina it grows between 1,000-2,700 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be used in hedges.

NOTES

There are about 25 Sambucus species. Also put in the family Sambucaceae.

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