PLANT FACT SHEET

Cinnamomum mairei Levl

GENUS *Cinnamomum* **FAMILY** Lauraceae

COMMON NAMES Yin ye gui

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark, Spice

The bark of the young branches is used as a spice.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 6-16 m tall. The trunk can be 30-80 cm across. The young branches are angled and purple-brown. The leaves are alternate or almost opposite. The leaf blade is 6-11 cm long by 2.5-4 cm wide. The flowers are white. The fruit is oval and 13 mm long by 7-8 mm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in southern China between 1300-1800 m altitude. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 250 Cinnamomum species.

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