PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Edibility uncertain

It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Tabernaemontana litoralis Kunth

GENUS *Tabernaemontana* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Milky way tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Probably poisonous.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 3-7 m tall. The trunk is 8-10 cm across. The flowers are white. The fruit are in pairs and curved. They are 6-7 cm long. They are orange but red in the centre. It is divided into 4 quarters.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by cuttings.

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