PLANT FACT SHEET

Capparis assamica Hook.f. & Thomson

GENUS *Capparis* **FAMILY** Capparaceae

COMMON NAMES Mimekudo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The seed are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 2-3 m tall. The leaves are oblong to sword shaped and 12-26 cm long by 4-9 cm wide. There are 15-30 flowers in a group. The fruit are round and red. They are 6-9 mm across. There is one or two seeds per fruit.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows below 1000 m above sea level. It grows in monsoon rainforest. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In southern China plants flower in March and April and fruit is August to September.

NOTES

There are about 250 Capparis species. There are about 50 Capparis species in tropical America.

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