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.

Diospyros dichrophylla (Gand.) De Winter

GENUS *Diospyros* **FAMILY** Ebenaceae

COMMON NAMES Common star-apple

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds - coffee

Caution: Some claim the fruit is poisonous.
The fruit is eaten as a snack.
The seeds are used for coffee.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. Young plant parts are densely hairy. The leaves are alternate. The blades are sword shaped or narrowly oval. They taper to the base. The edges are slightly curved backwards. The leaves are 5 cm long by 1 cm wide. The flowers occur singly. The flower stalk is 2 cm long. The flowers are cream of white. The fruit are round. They are 2.5 cm across. They are densely velvety.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. Brisbane Botanical Gardens.

PICTURES



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