PLANT FACT SHEET

Erythroxylum areolatum L.

GENUS *Erythroxylum* **FAMILY** Erythroxylaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The tender leaves are eaten as greens.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 5-10 m tall. The trunk can be 25 cm across. The leaves are alternate and narrowly oval. They are 5-13 cm long by 4-5 cm wide. The fruit are green and turn red.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows near Chennai. It grows between 50-150 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 250 Erythroxylum species. They are tropical and subtropical trees.
Erythroxylum areolatum Billib. ex Beurl. is an unresolved name. Erythroxylum areolatum L. is an accepted name.

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