PLANT FACT SHEET

Hydriastele pinangoides (Becc.) W. J. Baker & Loo

GENUS *Hydriastele* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

COMMON NAMES Salea palm

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds - masticatory

The seeds are used as a substitute for betel nut.

DESCRIPTION

A clustered palm. The stems are 3 m tall and 8 cm across. They have prominent rings. The sheaths for a conspicuous crown shaft. The leaves have leaflets along the stalk. These are large and triangle or wedge shaped.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in lowland rainforests.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

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