PLANT FACT SHEET

Trevesia burckii Boerl.

GENUS *Trevesia* **FAMILY** Araliaceae

COMMON NAMES Guost's foot

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The young flowers are cooked and eaten. They are bitter and have an unpleasant smell.
The young leaves are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It can grow 10 m tall. The branches have scattered stout spines. The leaves are alternate and crowded at the ends of branches. They have lobes like fingers on a hand. The leaves are 60 cm across with 7-9 lobes. The flowering shoots are in groups 60 cm long with 6-12 secondary branches ending in 30-50 flowering clusters.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows from sea level to 900 m above sea level. It grows in shady humid locations.

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