PLANT FACT SHEET

Eriobotrya cavaleriei (Leveille) Rehder

GENUS *Eriobotrya* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Large-flowered loquat

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are sweet-sour tasting and edible. They are also used for syrup.
They are also used in alcohol production. Caution: Alcohol is a cause of cancer.

DESCRIPTION

A small evergreen tree. It grows 6-10 m high. The leaves are sword shaped. They are 8-18 cm long by 3-7 cm wide. There are teeth towards the end. There is a yellowish covering underneath. There are many white flowers. They are in bunches at the ends of branches. The fruit are oblong. They are 1-1.5 cm long. They are orange-red.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in tropical and subtropical evergreen broad-leaved forests. It occurs in mountainous areas above 1,600 m altitude. It needs shade when young and light when mature. In Sichuan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In southern China it flowers in April to May and fruits in July to August.

NOTES

There are 30 Eriobotrya species.

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