PLANT FACT SHEET

Anacardium microcarpum Ducke

GENUS *Anacardium* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Miniature cashew

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit stalk, Nuts

The fleshy fruit stalks are eaten fresh. The fruit are used for juice.
The nut is roasted and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 4-8 m high. It loses many leaves during the year. The leaves are leathery and 20-30 cm long. The flowers have male and female parts in the same stalk. The branched flower stalks are 20-40 cm long. The fruit are fleshy, fattened flower stalks. The nut is at the end.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in scrubland and non flooded areas in the lower Amazon in Brazil.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

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