PLANT FACT SHEET

Diospyros conzattii Standl.

GENUS *Diospyros* **FAMILY** Ebenaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 10-20 m tall. The trunk can be 2.5 m across. It loses its leaves during the year. The trunk can be fluted. The bark is grey and shiny. The leaves are alternate. The leaf blade is narrowly oval or sword shaped and 4-10 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. They are papery. The leaves taper to a short tip. Male flowers can be in groups of 1-3 and female flowers occur singly. The fruit are 4.5 cm long by 5.5 cm wide. They are flattened. They are green when young and black when ripe. There can be 10 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It has been recorded from 900 to 2,200 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are about 485 species of Diospyros mostly in the tropics.

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