PLANT FACT SHEET

Amomyrtus luma (Molina) D. Legrand & Kausel

GENUS *Amomyrtus* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

COMMON NAMES Luma, Chilean guava

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit is eaten raw or cooked. It is also used for drinks.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree growing to 7.5 m high. Flowers have a sweet smell. The fruit is black to purplish-black when ripe. It is 1-1.5 cm wide. There are usually 3 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows naturally between latitudes 36 and 46° 30' south in Chile. It requires a moderately fertile well drained soil in a sunny position. In Argentina it grows from sea level to 800 m above sea level. Mt Lofty Botanical Gardens.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed, cuttings or layering.

PICTURES



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