PLANT FACT SHEET

Rubus neo-ebudicus Gillaumin

GENUS *Rubus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Chi Chi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A bramble or straggling herb. It grows 4 m tall. The stems have short hairs. The leaves have 5 leaflets spread out like fingers on a hand. Sometimes the upper leaves only have 3 leaflets. The leaf stalk is 2-5 cm long. The end leaflet is 8-14 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. The flowers are on branched stalks with 8 flowers on side stalks. The fruit are red. They are oval and 1 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Papua New Guinea it occurs in New Britain and New Ireland. It grows between 600-1,700 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 250 Rubus species.
Collected from San Cristobel, Makira by Brass.
It is an unresolved name in The Plant List. PROSEA gives Rubus brassii as a synonym of Rubus neo-ebudicus Gillaumin.

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