PLANT FACT SHEET

Acronychia aberrans T.G. Hartley

GENUS *Acronychia* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES Acid berry, Plasticine tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The flesh of the fruit is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows to 12 m tall. The leaves have a single leaflet which is shaped like an ellipse. The leaf is 9-29 cm long by 10 cm wide. It is dark green and leathery. The leaf twigs are square in cross section. They have 4 zigzag ridges running along them. The flowers occur in small groups. They are cream in colour. Each flower is about 1.5 cm across. The fruit are pear shaped and pale yellow. The fruit are about 1.5-3.5 cm across. The fruit are lemon scented. The flesh is edible. There are usually four seeds. The seeds are 0.6-0.7 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It occurs in Northeast Queensland, Australia. It grows between 680-1400 m altitude. It grows in highland rainforests. It can grow in shaded or sunny positions.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

It can be grown from seed but this may be difficult. It may also be able to be grown from cuttings. Fruit is ripe September to October. (April to October.)

NOTES

There are 42-50 Acronychia species.

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