PLANT FACT SHEET

Asimina obovata (Willd.) Nash

GENUS *Asimina* **FAMILY** Annonaceae

COMMON NAMES Florida pawpaw, Bigflower pawpaw

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2-3 m tall. It has many branches. New shoots have bright red hairs. The leaves are oval and 4-10 cm long. The edges can be curved. The flowering shoots are at the ends of new shoots. The flowers are yellow to white. They have a lemon scent. The fruit are yellow-green berries. They are 5-9 cm long. The seeds are brown.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in open sandy areas.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed but does not transplant easily.

NOTES

There are 7 or 8 Asimina species.

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