PLANT FACT SHEET

Nuxia congesta R. Br. ex Fresen.

GENUS *Nuxia* **FAMILY** Stilbaceae

COMMON NAMES Common wild elder

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It can grow 3-20 m tall. The bark is brown and peels off. The branches are hairy. The flowers are small but in large heads. They are creamy white and have a scent. The leaves vary is shape and size and are dark green and hairy. They are in clusters at the ends of the branches. The fruit are small and 3 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows on the edge of forests. In Nigeria it has been recorded at 1,800 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown by seed.

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