PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Syzygium polycephaloides* (C. B. Rob.) Merr.

**GENUS** *Syzygium* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Maigang tree, Java plum tree

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Fruit

The flesh of the fruit is eaten raw. They can be used for jelly.

## DESCRIPTION

A small stout tree. It grows 15 m tall. The trunk is 90 cm across. The leaves are opposite, smooth and pointed at the tip. They are somewhat heart shaped at the base. They are 15 cm long by 5 cm wide. The young or small branches are distinctly four angled or swollen at the nodes. The flowers are white and occur in clusters on the trunk and branches. The fruit are irregularly round. They are fleshy and red to purple with a fleshy skin. They are 1 cm across.

## HABITAT

A tropical plant. They occur from Laguna, Quezon and Samar in the Philippines in primary forest at medium altitudes.

## PRODUCTION

### Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

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