PLANT FACT SHEET

Duckesia verrucosa (Ducke) Cuatrec.

GENUS *Duckesia* **FAMILY** Humiriaceae

COMMON NAMES Uchi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The flesh of the fruit is eaten raw. It is also used for drinks.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 25-30 m high. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are oblong and rough. They are 10-20 cm long by 2.5-8 cm wide. There are teeth along the edge. They taper to the tip. The fruit is oval and 5-7 cm long by 4 cm across. There are 1-5 seeds inside. They can be 2-3 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in regions with an average temperature about 25°C. The rainfall is 2,000-3,500 mm per year. It can grow on acid soils.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

Harvesting and Seed Production

One fruit weighs 50-70 g.

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