PLANT FACT SHEET

Garcinia lateriflora Blume

GENUS *Garcinia* **FAMILY** Clusiaceae

COMMON NAMES Kandis

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Fruit, Leaves

The fleshy portion of the fruit is eaten raw after being skinned well. They are also dried.
Young leaves are used as a souring agent.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. The branches are more or less angular, smooth and yellowish green. The leaves are opposite, scattered, oblong and abruptly pointed. The base of the leaves is blunt with yellowish green leaf stalks. The flowers are bisexual and yellowish white. They are carried singly. The fruit is egg shaped, smooth, greenish and with 2 or 4 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. They are abundant at low altitudes throughout the Philippines.

NOTES

There are about 300 Garcinia species.

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