PLANT FACT SHEET

Acronychia acrynychioides (F. Muell.) T. Hartley

GENUS *Acronychia* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES White aspen

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tropical tree. It grows up to 10-20 m tall and spreads 3-7 m across. The tree has a dense crown. The young shoots are covered with short hairs. The leaves have 3 leaflets which are oval or oblong. The leaflets are 10-20 cm long by 2-6 cm wide. The leaves are thin in texture. The leaf stalks are 2-7 cm long. Flower clusters occur in the angles of leaves near the ends of branches. The flowers are cream and hairy. They are about 1.5 cm across. They occur in dense clusters. The fruit are yellow and oval. They are about 1 cm long and about 1.2 cm wide. There are normally 4 seeds inside.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It occurs in Northeast Queensland, Australia. It grows between sea level to 1170 m altitude. They will grow in shady or sunny positions.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed. Seed are slow to germinate. Plants need plenty of water.

Harvesting and Seed Production

The fruit are ripe August to September. (June to December.)

NOTES

There are 42-50 Acronychia species.

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