PLANT FACT SHEET

Capparis pyrifolia Lamk.

GENUS *Capparis* **FAMILY** Capparaceae

COMMON NAMES Cantelan bush, Gagahan

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It can be climbing. It grows up to 3 m high. New growth is hairy. The leaves are oblong with slightly curved thorns. The flowers occur as 2-4 in a row. They are yellowish or greenish-white. The fruit are round and abut 1 cm across. They are black when ripe. They have 2-6 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in teak forests between sea level and 700 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or cuttings.

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