PLANT FACT SHEET

Rheedia laterifolia (L.) Herzog

GENUS *Rheedia* **FAMILY** Clusiaceae

COMMON NAMES Achachairu

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 7-12 m high. The trunk is 30-40 cm across. The leaves are opposite. They are 20-25 cm long by 5-6 cm wide. Male and female flowers are separate. Female flowers occur as 2-5 together. They have stalks 1.5-2 cm long. Male flowers have stalks 4 cm long. The fruit is oval and 3.5-4.5 cm across. There are 1-2 seeds. They are 3 cm long by 2 cm wide. The pulp is white.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Bolivia it grows up to 600 m altitude. It is natural in mid altitude forests.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

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