PLANT FACT SHEET

Syzygium corynanthum (F. Muell.) L. Johnson

GENUS *Syzygium* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

COMMON NAMES Sour Cherry, Killarney satinash, Normanby satinash

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are used for jams and jellies.

DESCRIPTION

An attractive tree up to 15 m tall. It has a dense crown of leaves. The leaves are fairly thick and 11 cm long by 5 cm wide. They are dark and shiny on top and paler underneath. They have a drawn out blunt tip. The flowers are small and cream coloured. They occur in clusters in the angles of leaves and near the ends of branches. The fruit is pear shaped, fleshy and red. It is about 1.8 cm across. The fruit is edible.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It occurs in eastern Australia in warmer rainforest regions. It grows from the coast to 1,200 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

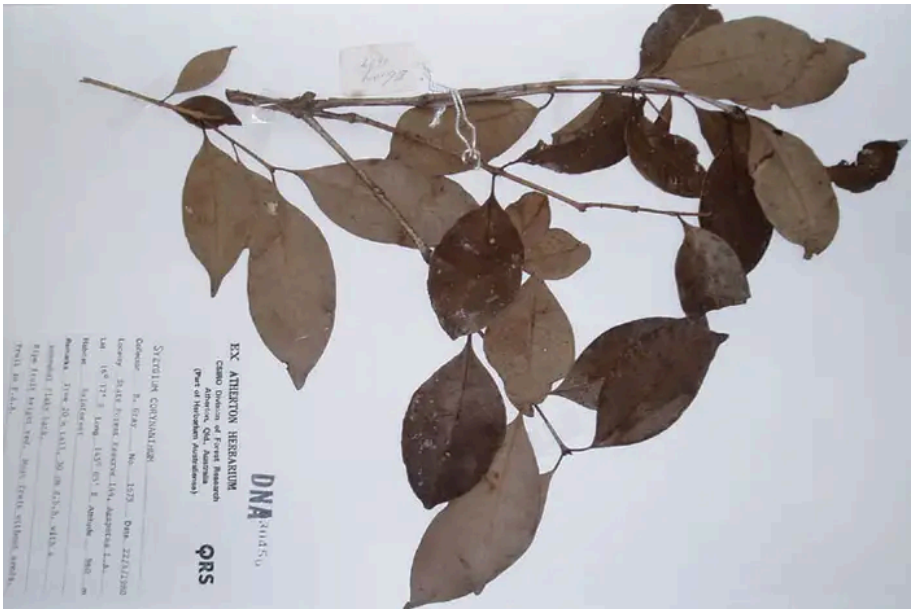
Cultivation

The plants are grown from seed. In cooler places many fruit are seedless.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Young plants are often slow growing.

PICTURES



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