PLANT FACT SHEET

Antidesma sinuatum Benth.

GENUS *Antidesma* **FAMILY** Phyllanthaceae

COMMON NAMES Currant bush

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are used for jam.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 6-10 m high and spreads 3-6 m across. The young shoots are smooth or slightly hairy. The leaves are 5-10 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. They are oblong. They are dark green with wavy edges. The male spikes are 1-2 cm long. The female stalk is 2-8 cm long. These are in the axils of leaves. The fruit is 6-8 mm long and flattened. They are red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in drier rainforests. It needs well drained soil and a sunny position.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 100-170 Antidesma species.

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