PLANT FACT SHEET

Lacmellea panamensis (Woodson) Markgr.

GENUS *Lacmellea* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Panama lacmellea

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Latex

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized tree. The trunk is straight and has cone shaped spines. The leaves are simple and opposite. They are dark green and occur in a flat plane. They are spaced regularly along the branches. Broken leaves produce latex. The flowers are in clusters on the branches near the leaves. The flowers have long white tubes. The fruit are berries.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in wet, lower mountain regions.

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