PLANT FACT SHEET

Poisonous

This plant, or parts of it, can be poisonous. Do not eat it unless you know which parts are safe and how they must be prepared.

Cassine buchananii Loes.

GENUS *Cassine* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Poisonous.

It is claimed the fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen tree. It grows 25 m tall. The bark is dark grey and smooth. The leaves are stiff and wavy along the edge. The flowers are white to yellow. The fruit is fleshy and pale yellow.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Ethiopia it grows between 660-2,250 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

It is used as medicine.

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