PLANT FACT SHEET

Antidesma fordii Hemsl.

GENUS *Antidesma* **FAMILY** Phyllanthaceae

COMMON NAMES Choi moi van nam

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are acidic and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen medium sized tree. It grows 10-12 m high. The trunk is 25 cm across. The leaves are oblong and 7-20 cm long by 3-11 cm wide. The flowering stalks are at the ends of branches and in the axils of leaves. The fruit are purple when ripe. They are 6-7 mm long by 3-4 mm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows on fallow land on the edge of forests below 400 m altitude. In southern China it grows in dense forests between 200-2,300 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 100-170 Antidesma species.

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