PLANT FACT SHEET

Scolopia macrophylla (Wight & Arn.) Clos

GENUS *Scolopia* **FAMILY** Salicaceae

COMMON NAMES Mangrove thorn, Batoko plum

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 6-10 m high. It has thorns. The leaves are alternate and oval. They are 8-12 cm long and have teeth along the edge. The flowers are greenish white. Ripe fruit are orange. They are 6-8 mm long. There are 2-6 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in wet places and flooded forests. It grows at the rear of mangroves. It grows between 5-150 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

Also put in the Flacourtiaceae family.

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