PLANT FACT SHEET

Gustavia poeppigiana O. Berg

GENUS *Gustavia* **FAMILY** Lecythidaceae

COMMON NAMES Poeppig gustavia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 15 m tall. The leaf bearing branches are 3-7 mm wide. The leaves are tightly grouped in rings near the ends of the branches. The leaves are narrowly oval and 16-41 cm long by 5-12 cm wide. The base is round and there are teeth along the edge in the upper half. The leaves taper towards the tip. The flowering shoots are in the axils of the leaves. The flowers are 12-18 cm across. The fruit are a flattened round shape and 3-6 cm long by 4-7 cm wide. The seeds are round in cross section. They are 13-24 mm long by 13-15 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics. It grows from sea level to 800 m above sea level.

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