PLANT FACT SHEET

Xantolis tomentosa (Roxb.) Rafin

GENUS *Xantolis* **FAMILY** Sapotaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark - drink, Fruit

The bark is used to make a fermented drink.
The fruit are pickled and also used in curries.
The young fruit are boiled and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 15 m tall. The trunk is fluted. The bark is reddish-brown. The trunk and branches are thorny. It has a white latex. The leaves are simple and alternate. The leaf blade is 4-10 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. The flowers are in clusters in the axils of leaves. They are white. The fruit is an oval berry. It is 2.5 cm long. There is one seed.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in evergreen forest between 500-1,600 m above sea level.

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