PLANT FACT SHEET

Taxotrophis ilicifolia (Kurz) S. Vidal

GENUS *Taxotrophis* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Spiny serut tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The flesh of the ripe fruit are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 10 m tall. The bark is greyish-white and smooth. The small branches are angular and have spines. These are 1-2 cm long. The leaves are oval and 1-5 cm long by up to 3 cm wide. The edges can curve back and have spiny teeth. The ripe fruit are black. They are 1 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in limestone areas. It grows between 100-500 m above sea level in southern China.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds and stem cuttings.

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