PLANT FACT SHEET

Coffea brevipes Hiern.

GENUS *Coffea* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1-2 m tall. The branches are slender and smooth. The leaves are narrowly oval and wedge shaped at the base. They are 10-20 cm long by 4-6 cm wide. There are 6-8 pairs of side veins. The flowers occur singly in the axils of leaves. They are 2 cm long before they open. The fruit are smooth and oval and 12 mm long. They have 2 cells and 2 seeds. They are red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It occurs in the Cameroon mountains at 1,000 m above sea level. It grows as an understorey plant in dense forest. It suits the humid lowland tropics.

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