PLANT FACT SHEET

Solanum verbascifolium L.

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Takafo susu ngwae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Fruit - drink

The fruit are used to make a fermented drink.
The ripe fruit are eaten cooked.
Caution should probably be used with raw fruit.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It can grow for a few years. It grows 1 to 6 m tall. It is slightly woody. It is without thorns. The stems give off a smell. The leaves are long and 8-20 x 5-9 cm. The leaves are white underneath. They are soft and hairy. The flowers are white and on long stalks. The berry is 10-13 mm across. It is round and green but finally turns yellow. It has many seeds. It is something like eggplant.

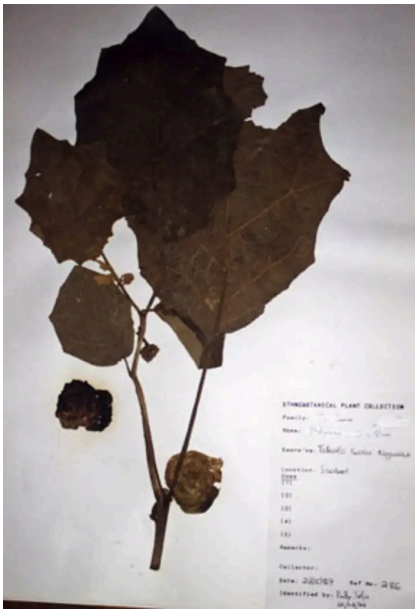
HABITAT

A tropical plant. It occurs widely in the tropics in Asia and the Pacific. It grows in forest and open space. In Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 1400 Solanum species. It is used in medicine.

PICTURES



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