PLANT FACT SHEET

Dichapetalum rhodesicum Sprague & Hutch.

GENUS *Dichapetalum* **FAMILY** Dichapetalaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit pulp is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It grows 1.2 m high and keeps growing from year to year. It is succulent. The bark is light brown and hairy. The leaves are green and broadly oval. They are 8-10 cm long. They taper to the tip. The leaves have velvety hairs underneath. The flowers are 3 cm long. They occur as a few flowers in the axils of leaves. Flowers have a reddish covering outside. The flowers are white. The fruit are oval and have a grey covering.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in hot arid places. It can be in areas with a dry season of 6-11 months. It grows in well-drained sandy soils. It can grow in arid places.

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