PLANT FACT SHEET

Lecaniodiscus cupanioides Planch ex Benth.

GENUS *Lecaniodiscus* **FAMILY** Sapindaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Pulp, seeds - aril, Fruit, Flowers, Leaves

The sweet pulp of the fruit is eaten.
The flowers are used for preparing aromatic water.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 10-15 m high. The trunk is 20 cm across. The branches are low and the crown is spreading. The leaves are compound and have alternate leaflets along the stalk. The leaves are oval and taper to a short tip. The flowers have a disk round them.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in small forest clumps in the savannah zone in West Africa. It can be in seasonally flooded forests and along riverbanks.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Central African Republic flowers have been recorded in March and fruit in May.

NOTES

There are 2 Lecaniodiscus species. They are in Africa.

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