PLANT FACT SHEET

Annona neosericea H. Rainer

GENUS *Annona* **FAMILY** Annonaceae

COMMON NAMES Pecanine annona

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 5-15 m high. The trunk is 40-50 cm across. The leaves are papery. They are slightly hairy underneath. They are 9-16 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. The flowers occur in groups or 3. They are covered with brown hairs. The fruit is an oval berry. It is made up of 100-150 carpels.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests in Brazil up to 600 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

The plants are grown from seed. The ripe fruit are harvested and store in a plastic bag to allow the fruit to rot to make it easier to remove the seed. Seeds can only be stored for a short time. The fresh seed are planted and germinate in 30-50 days.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Plants grow quickly. They can be 2.5 m in 2 years.

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