PLANT FACT SHEET

Coccoloba latifolia Lam.

GENUS *Coccoloba* **FAMILY** Polygonaceae

COMMON NAMES Matora, Bradilifi, Cuchape, Uvero

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The pulp of the fruit is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 9-15 m tall. The leaves are very large. They are 55 cm long. They sheath the leaf stem and this sheath is deeply incised. The flower panicles are at the ends of branches. They are oval and 0.8 cm long by 0.6 cm wide. They turn purplish-black at maturity. It is edible. The nut is furrowed and the seed is green.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows on coastal plain, especially on ridges in forests.

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