PLANT FACT SHEET

Eugenia discreta McVaugh

GENUS *Eugenia* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

COMMON NAMES Loose eugenia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 18 m high. The fruit are yellow to orange. The fruit are slightly flattened. They are 2 cm long and 2.5 cm wide. They can occur singly or in clusters or 2 or 3 along slender branches. The skin is thick and spongy. There are several seeds in a sweet white pulp.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It is often along the edges of palm swamps. It grows in mature forests up to 300 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

Trees produce fruit when 4 m high. The fruit are produced during the rainy season.

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