PLANT FACT SHEET

Diospyros toposia Buch,-Ham.

GENUS *Diospyros* **FAMILY** Ebenaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 20 m high. The bark is greyish brown and smooth. The young branches are slender and shiny. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are 10-30 cm long by 2-10 cm wide. They are narrowly oval and rounded at the base and tapering to the tip. Male and female flowers are separate and yellow. Male flowers are in groups of 3-12 and female flowers occur singly. The fruit is an oval berry and flattened at the top. The fruit are 3-4 cm across. They are yellow when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in central and eastern India. It grows in evergreen forests.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In southern India it flowers and fruits February to May.

NOTES

There are about 485 species of Diospyros mostly in the tropics.

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