PLANT FACT SHEET

Gustavia angustifolia Benth.

GENUS *Gustavia* **FAMILY** Lecythidaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 4 m tall. The bark is grey and rough. It only has a few branches. The leafy branches are 5-7 mm wide. The leaves are in tight groups in 2-3 clusters at the ends of the branches. The leaves are narrowly oval and 26-41 cm long by 7-10 cm wide. The flowers are 10-15 cm across. The fruit are round and 25 mm long by 28 mm wide. They have 4 broadly triangle shaped lobes 3 mm x 11 mm.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

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