PLANT FACT SHEET

Phaleria octandra (L.) Baill.

GENUS *Phaleria* **FAMILY** Thymelaeaceae

COMMON NAMES Dwarf phaleria

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 1-6 m tall. The leaf blades are 8-23 cm long and 2-10 cm wide. The leaf stalk has a groove on the upper surface. There are 8-25 flowers in a group. They are white and at the ends of stems. The fruit can be 1.5 cm long and almost without a stalk. They are green and turn red. The fruit have 2 cells and 1-2 seeds.

HABITAT

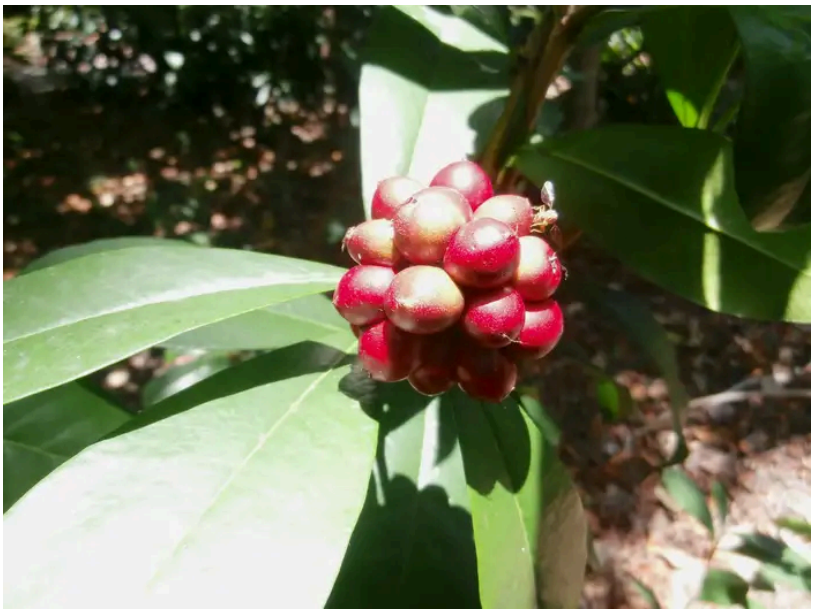
It is a tropical plant. It is an understorey shrub in the rainforest. It grows from sea level to about 800 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

PICTURES



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