PLANT FACT SHEET

Uvariastrum hexaloboides (R. E. Fries) R. E. Fries

GENUS *Uvariastrum* **FAMILY** Annonaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It has many branches. It keeps its leaves throughout the year. It grows 4-13 m tall. The bark flakes off. The branches are flexible and hang down. They have rusty hairs when young. The leaf blades are 5-14 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. They are oblong or sword shaped. They are wedge shaped at the base. They are a shiny green above except for rusty hairs on the midrib. The flowers occur singly or in pairs in the axils of leaves. The petals are yellow or greenish. The fruit are 3-5 cm long by 2 cm wide. They can be straight or curved. They are yellow but become black to purple. The seeds are 1-5 cm long and disk shaped.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in open forest.

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