PLANT FACT SHEET

Cavendishia grandifolia Hoerold

GENUS *Cavendishia* **FAMILY** Ericaceae

COMMON NAMES Duende, Neotropical blueberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It has one erect stem and branches that hang down. It grows 3 m tall. The stem is angled. The leaves are narrowly oval and 26-45 cm long by 7-20 cm wide. The base is rounded and the leaves are thickened along the edge. There are 20-30 flowers in a group. There are 6-8 oval bracts at the base. The flowers are red. The fruit are small and blue.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or cuttings.

NOTES

It is rich in antioxidants.

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