PLANT FACT SHEET

Allophylus zeylanicus Linn.

GENUS *Allophylus* **FAMILY** Sapindaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. The bark is pale of white. Young shoots have white hairs. The leaves are oval and have points at the tip. The fruit are red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in lowland areas, wetlands and evergreen forests. It can grow up to 2,000 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are 190-200 Allophyllus species. Some say there is just one widely variable species. It is an at risk species.

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