PLANT FACT SHEET

Polyscias macgillivrayi (Seem.) Harms

GENUS *Polyscias* **FAMILY** Araliaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A tall shrub. It grows 4-7 m high and spreads 2-4 m wide. Young growth is smooth. There is usually a single trunk. The bark is grey. There are only a few branches and they are spreading. The leaves are divided along the stalk. The leaves are 1 m long. The leaflets are 20-25 cm long by 8-10 cm wide. They are oblong and often broadest near the base. They are green and often rolled downwards. The flowers are 0.5 cm across. They form loose open groups. The fruit is about 0.8 cm across and flattened.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in rainforest. It needs well drained soil. It often grows just behind the mangrove along the coast. It grows from sea level to 200 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from fresh seed.

NOTES

There are about 100 Polyscias species.

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