PLANT FACT SHEET

Discospermum malaccense (Hook. f.) Kuntze

GENUS *Discospermum* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Gading-gading, Wild coffee

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit - drink, Leaves - drink

The leaves are used for a coffee like drink.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 25 m tall. The trunk is 28 cm across. The leaves are simple and opposite. The flowers are white to cream and are 4 mm across. They are in bundles in the axils of leaves. The fruit are 16 mm across and orange.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests from sea level to 400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from fresh seeds.

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