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Tricalysia coriacea (Benth.) Hiern

GENUS *Tricalysia* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Crown fruit tricalysia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 9 m tall. It has a large trunk. The leaves are 5-20 cm long by 1-9 cm wide. They are oval. The edges curve back. They are leathery. The flowers are in the axils of leaves or from where leaves have fallen. The flowers have a sweet scent. The fruit are 6-10 mm across and red. There are 2-5 seeds in each chamber.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in lowland and mid altitude rainforest. In Nigeria it is recorded at 760 m above sea level. It suits humid locations. It is often along streams.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Central African Republic flowers have been observed in September and fruit in January and February.

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