PLANT FACT SHEET

Urceola lucida (A. DC.) Benth. ex Kurz

GENUS *Urceola* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit is edible. It is used as a substitute for tamarind.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen climbing shrub. The leaves are papery and narrowly oval. They are 10-14 cm long. The flowers are in panicles in the axils of leaves and at the ends of branches. The fruit are curved follicles.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forests up to 900 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

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