PLANT FACT SHEET

Citrus taitensis Risso

GENUS *Citrus* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES Otaheite orange, Tahiti orange

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten and used for juice.

DESCRIPTION

This may be a non-acid form of mandarin lime. The trees are small and spreading. They are thornless and the young leaves are purple. The flowers are purple on the outside and have a scent. The fruit are almost round. They are 4-5 cm across. The peel is thin and orange with small oil dots. The pulp is orange and in 7-10 segments. The fruit are usually seedless.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from cuttings or by air-layering.

NOTES

There are 20 Citrus species. Several hybrids have been formed. This one is probably a hybrid of Citrus limon and Citrus reticulata.

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