PLANT FACT SHEET

Diospyros laurina (R. Br.) Jessup

GENUS *Diospyros* **FAMILY** Ebenaceae

COMMON NAMES Brown ebony

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 10-15 m high. The leaves are simple and 6-13 cm long. The underneath side of the leaves has hairs. Male and female flowers are separate. The fruit are 27 mm long by 16 mm wide. These occur singly or in bunches. The outer surface has fine rusty hairs. There are up to 5 seeds. These can be 14 mm long. The fruit are edible.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows naturally in rainforest. It occurs in Northeast Queensland in Australia. In tropical Queensland it grows from sea level to 1040 m altitude.

NOTES

There are about 485 species of Diospyros mostly in the tropics.

PICTURES



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