PLANT FACT SHEET

Clymenia polyandra (Tanaka) Swingle

GENUS *Clymenia* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES Clymenia, Polyandra kumquat

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A citrus relative. The tree is 5-8 m tall. The leaves are large (18 cm x 6 cm) and simple. Young leaves have lobes. The leaves are more thin and papery than other citrus. The leaves taper towards the tip and have notched edges. The leaf stalks are short and without wings. It does not have thorns. The flowers are dark yellow and 2.5-3 cm across. They occur either singly, or as 2-4 together, in the axils of leaves. The fruit is yellow and the size of a large lime. They are 7-10 cm long by 6-8 cm wide. The flesh is edible. The skin of the fruit can irritate human skin. The seeds are flattish with lines on them.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It is cultivated on Manus and New Ireland. It occurs in Bougainville. It only occurs in PNG.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Trees are grown from seed.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Some kinds have sweet pleasant tasting fruit.

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