PLANT FACT SHEET

Ficus bakeri Elmer

GENUS *Ficus* **FAMILY** Moraceae

COMMON NAMES Kataupi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A fig. It is a lofty climbing vine. The stem is 5 to 8 cm thick and forms branched bushes towards the top. The twigs are relatively short, brown and hairless at maturity. The leaves are somewhat papery and smooth except for the nerves on the lower side. They are blunt in form and scattered one after another along the small branches. The fruit is mainly in the axils of leaves. They are oval, smooth, yellowish green and become deep red when mature.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. They are found in alpine forests along the Pacific coast of the Philippines from Luzon to northern Mindanao. It grows in damp forests between 500-1,100 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 800-1000 Ficus species. They are mostly in the tropics. There are 120 Ficus species in tropical America.

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