PLANT FACT SHEET

Ayenia catalpifolia (Jacq.) Christenh. & Byng.

GENUS *Ayenia* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark, Seeds

The sap from the bark is used to make a sauce.

DESCRIPTION

A creeper. It grows 2 m long. It has a taproot. The bark can be white or red. The leaves are oval and 7-16 cm long by 4-12 cm wide. There have teeth along the edge. The flowers are white. The fruit are 1.2-2.5 cm long and 1.5-3.2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Colombia it grows between 40-1,050 m above sea level.

NOTES

It has also been put in the family Sterculiaceae.

REFERENCES

World Checklist of Useful Plant Species 2020. Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

PROVIDED BY **Food Plants International**

French, B.R. & Maynard, A.R. Food Plants International Database. Food Plants International

LICENCE CC BY-NC-SA 3.0

ONLINE FACT SHEET https://www.echocommunity.org/en/resources/e73e9a52-351a-4647-8ff4-45d87bc1687c