PLANT FACT SHEET

Pleiomeris canariensis (Willd.) A. DC

GENUS *Pleiomeris* **FAMILY** Primulaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It has several branches and a small crown. It grows 3-5 m tall. It can be taller. It can have several shoots near the base. The leaves are large and are 15-20 cm long by 5-6 cm wide. They are simple and alternate. There are many clusters of flowers. The fruit are small and fleshy. They are red when ripe and have one seed.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows on rocky ledges. It occurs between 200-900 m above sea level.

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