PLANT FACT SHEET

Lasianthus strigosus Wight

GENUS *Lasianthus* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Blue rubi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. The branches are flattish and dark brown. The leaves are long and sword shaped. There are some hairs on the veins underneath the leaf. The leaf is stiff and with saw-like teeth along the edge. The leaf stalk is short and 4 mm long. The fruit are 1.5 cm long by 1.1 cm wide. They occur singly or in clusters. The outer surface of the fruit is finely hairy. The cut fruit has an offensive smell. There are about 4 seeds inside. They are 5 mm long. The flesh is edible.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows naturally in the lowland rainforest.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Australia, fruit occurs from March to December.

NOTES

There are 150 Lasianthus species.

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