PLANT FACT SHEET

Searsia retinorrhoea (Steud. ex Oliv.) Moffett

GENUS *Searsia* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 6 m tall. The branches are slender and usually hang down. The leaves have 3 leaflet The leaf stalks are 3.5-5.5 cm long. The leaflets are sword shaped and 8-20 cm long by 1-5 cm wide. They are edge shaped at the base and taper to the tip. The fruit are a flattened round shape and 4-5 mm across. THey are shiny and pink.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the desert often near wells. It grows between 840-1,620 m above sea level.

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