PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Gnetum latifolium* Blume

**GENUS** *Gnetum* **FAMILY** Gnetaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Rope gnetum vine

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Seeds, Leaves, Fruit, Nuts

The leaves and fruit are sometimes eaten.
The seeds are eaten cooked. They are roasted or boiled.

## DESCRIPTION

A large semi-climber. It grows from 5 to 20 m long. The branches are in pairs. The leaves are large - leaflets 20 x 56 cm. The spike like flower grows on old wood. The fruit is an oval nut. The outside of the fruit is green but turns red to orange.

## HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in lowlands near mangroves. It can be up to 1,800 m above sea level.

## PRODUCTION

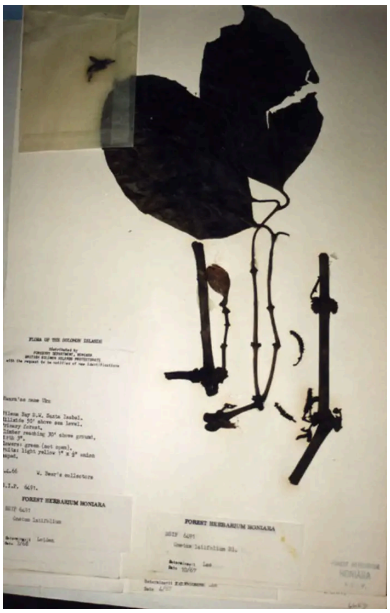
### Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

## NOTES

There are about 28 Gnetum species.

## PICTURES



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