PLANT FACT SHEET

Solanum uporo Dunal

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Cannibal's tomato

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The fruit is used like tomato to flavour sauces etc.
The leaves are eaten as salad greens.

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub similar to a tomato. It grows 1-1.5 m tall. It can be grown as an annual or perennial. The leaves are alternate and dark green. The fruit is bright red. They are 2.5 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in a rich, well drained soil in a sunny position.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

NOTES

There are about 1400 Solanum species.

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