PLANT FACT SHEET

Phyllanthus chacoensis Morong

GENUS *Phyllanthus* **FAMILY** Phyllanthaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 2-6 m tall. The branches are 6-20 cm long and angular and brown. The leaves are 1.5-2.5 cm long by 1-2.5 cm wide. The flowering shoots are 3-4 cm long. The fruit are 6-8 mm long by 4-5.2 mm wide. They are round and green.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Bolivia it grows between sea level and 500 m above sea level. It suits the seasonally dry tropics.

NOTES

There are about 750 Phyllanthus species. They are mostly in the tropics.

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