PLANT FACT SHEET

Salacia madagascariensis (Lam.) DC.

GENUS *Salacia* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit coat is removed and the seed is discarded and the small amount of flesh is eaten.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub or climber. The leaves are narrowly oval and shiny. There are teeth around the edge. The flowers are in clusters and are greenish-yellow. The fruit are round and 3 cm across. They are orange to red when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Kenya it grows in coastal areas. It grows in sand and rocky areas from sea level to 500 m altitude.

NOTES

Also put in the family Hippocrateacece.

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