PLANT FACT SHEET

Maripa nicaraguensis Hemsl.

GENUS *Maripa* **FAMILY** Convolvulaceae

COMMON NAMES Drwa koi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A creeper. The stems are smooth or slightly angled and grey-brown. The leaves are thin and narrowly oval. They are 9-15 cm long and the base is rounded. They taper to a short tip. The flowers are in a group at the ends of branches. The flower stalks are 4-8 mm long. The fruit is broadly oval to round and 2-3 cm across. It can have a netlike surface. They are yellow and turn brown. The seeds are oval and 2 cm long by 1 cm thick.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

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