PLANT FACT SHEET

Neocalyptrocalyx maroniensis R. Benoist) Cornejo & Iltis

GENUS *Neocalyptrocalyx* **FAMILY** Capparaceae

COMMON NAMES Maroni neocalyptrocalyx

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 35 m tall. The flowers are in clusters along the twigs. The fruit is a berry 6-10 cm across. It is green or yellow and has slight furrows along it. The skin is thick. The pulp is orange and edible. There re up to 12 seeds. These are about 3 cm long by 2 cm wide. They are purplish and soft and embedded in the pulp. The flesh is edible.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forested slopes often on granite soils.

NOTES

There are about 250 Capparis species. There are about 50 Capparis species in tropical America.

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