PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain

It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Litsea monopetala (Roxb.) Pers.

GENUS *Litsea* **FAMILY** Lauraceae

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 18 m tall. The trunk is 15 cm across. The branches are densely hairy. The leaves are alternate. They are broadly oval and 8-20 cm long by 4-12 cm wide. They are hairy underneath. There are 4-6 flowers in a group. The fruit are oval and 7 mm long by 5 mm wide and in a shallow tube.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In Sikkim it grows between 300-1,500 m above sea level.

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