PLANT FACT SHEET

Calophyllum calaba L.

GENUS *Calophyllum* **FAMILY** Clusiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw. The fruit are pleasant and acid.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen tree. It grows 40 m tall. The trunk can be 1.5 m across. The leaves are narrowly oval and wedge shaped at the base. The flowers are in groups in the axils of leaves. The fruit are bright orange.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the dry forest zone. It grows from sea level to 620 m above sea level. It is resistant to fire. It can sprout from stumps. It grows in areas with a rainfall between 1,500-2,000 mm per year. It grows in areas with an average temperate of 25°C.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

Also put in the family Calophyllaceae.

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