



PLANT FACT SHEET

Ardisia pachyrhachis (F. Muell.) F. Muell.

GENUS *Ardisia* **FAMILY** Primulaceae

COMMON NAMES Mountain Ardisia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub up to 2-5 m high. It spreads 2-4 m across. The leaves are simple and 6-33 cm long by 3-4 cm across. They are thick and sword shaped. They are dull bluish green above and paler underneath. The flowers are white to pink and 0.8 cm across. The fruit are 8 mm across. They hang in bunches at the ends of branches. There is one seed inside. The flesh is edible.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in rainforest in Queensland in Australia. It grows in the highlands above 1500 m altitude. It needs well drained soil. In tropical Queensland it grows between sea level and 1600 m altitude.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 250-300 *Ardisia* species. They are mainly in the tropics. Also put in the family Myrsinaceae.

PICTURES



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