PLANT FACT SHEET

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

Lycianthes rzedowski E. Dean

GENUS *Lycianthes* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It has thick storage roots. It can grow 1.1 m tall. The leaves are simple and leaves higher up are in pairs of unequal size. The large ones are 5-10 cm long by 1-6 cm wide. The smaller ones are about half that size. The flowers occur singly in the axils of the leaves. The fruit is a berry 2-8 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. There are 3-38 seeds in a fruit.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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