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Salacia elegans Welw. ex Oliv.

GENUS *Salacia* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seed

DESCRIPTION

A creeping shrub or creeper. It can grow 6 m tall. It can grow 40 m long. The stems are flattened and have raised lines. They become reddish-purple with white spots. The leaves are opposite and usually shiny above and more pale underneath. They are 4-20 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. There can be teeth along the edge. The fruit are orange to red and 1-2.5 cm across. There are 1-2 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Malawi it grows along the lake shore. It also grows in rainforest. It suits humid locations.

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