



AGATELANG

Botanical Name: *Eugenia palumbis*
Common Name:
Native Range: Endemic to the Mariana Islands

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Description

Agatelang is a shrub that can grow up to about 6 feet. It can only be found growing naturally in limestone forests and cliffs in the Mariana Islands. Agatelang flowers are small and white. Its fruits mature from green-orange-red. Another species or variety (debated), *Eugenia bryanii*, is smaller in all aspects, and is found on clifflines.

(Raulerson & Rinehart, 1991)

Propagation

Fruits contain one or two seeds, and germinate anywhere from 1-3 months. Plants are slow growing and can take up to one year to transplant from 1-gallon root maker pots.



Uses

Locally, agatelang has been known to be used for construction (small lumber). Its edible fruits are sweet and tart when mature, and serve as a food source for wildlife.

References:

Raulerson, L. and A. Rinehart. 1991. *Trees and Shrubs of the Northern Mariana Islands*. Coastal Resources Management, Office of the Governor, CNMI. 120p.

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