

Guioa semiglauca

(Sapindaceae)

Common name: Guioa.

Localities: Kholo Creek, Priors Pocket, Rafting Ground, Upper Brookfield.

Growth form: A small to medium bushy tree.

Foliage: Leaves are pinnate, with two to six alternating leaflets. Leaflets are up to 8 cm long and are broadest at or above the mid-point, the tip blunt. The upper surface is dark green and glossy, the lower pale, greyish.

Flowers and fruit: Flowers are small, pale green or whitish, and are borne in dense panicles. The fruit is a 2-3 lobed capsule, about 10 mm in diameter.

Habitat: Occurs in dry rainforest and subtropical rainforest, and is common in regrowth.

Propagation and Management: Propagated from seed, which should be sown fresh. *Guioa* is a fast-growing species.

General: Epiphytic orchids and ferns may be grown successfully on the trunk of *guioa*. The seeds attract birds and also bees. A good pioneer species.

