

DO YOU KNOW

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Calamansi, botanically known as *Citrofortunella microcarpa* is a tree with fruits that are very popular throughout Southeast Asia, including Malaysia and Sabah in particular.

The tree is actually a shrub that will grow up to six metres high. It is a native of Southeast Asia. It is a hybrid and will not be found in the wild. Its origins are not really clear but it is believed that this fruit is actually a cross between tangerine and kumquat.

It really does look like a small round lime, just a little bigger than a thumb.

It has thin skin that can be peeled to reveal the flesh inside. The juice of this fruit is then extracted and used with beverages like tea or ginger ale.

The juice also makes a drink similar to lemonade, and a liqueur can also be made from the whole fruits, in combination with vodka and sugar.

It is also used to baste fish and fowl and for condiments like sambal belacan and acar.

This citrus fruit is known locally as Limau Kesturi.

It is usually grown in the people's compound as an ornamental plant. However, the fruits are used in flavouring fried fish and soups. It is also used to neutralise the fishy smell of fish.

Adding a dash of Calamansi on barbecued meat also enhance the taste of roasted meat.

Some people who are partial to liquor have also stated that eating Calamansi enhanced titbits during drinking sessions minimise the chances of getting drunk.

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CRAFTS EXOTICA

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SABAH INTERNATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT 2007

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HARVEST FESTIVAL FOR KOTA KINABALU CITY

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SABAH WORLD MUSEUM DAY 2007

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