

***Zieria arborescens*,**

Common name:

Stinkwood,

Palatability to Livestock:

Seldom eaten.

Toxicity to Goats:

Unknown.

Toxicity to Other Species:

Toxic to cattle.

Poisonous Principle:

Unknown.

Effects:

Signs and symptoms;

- . Painful abdominal breathing, grunting.
- . Oedema of the lungs, slight nasal discharge.
- . Anorexia, depression, reluctance to move.

Health and Production Problems;

- . Illness usually short, but could last up to three weeks; known as "Panting Disease" in cattle, in Northern Tasmania.

Treatment;

See Vet.

Integrated Control Strategy:

- . Be aware of potential livestock problems.

Comments:

- . A tall shrub or small tree, over 4 m high, 3 m across; young branches covered with star-shaped hairs.
- . Highly aromatic foliage, fast growing.
- . A native to Australia, many species are recognized.
- . Found in Tasmania, Victoria, and the South East of NSW, in wet forest areas.

. Leaves are opposite on a short stalk and have three pointed leaflets, with recurved margins and pointed tips, shiny green upper side, hairy below.

. A strong disagreeable odour when crushed.
. Small white flowers, with four petals, single or in small bunches, on long stalks, flowering late winter to spring.

. Fruits are capsules with four seeds.



Picture *Zieria arborescens*, utas.edu.au

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