



TREE SPECIES (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

Bellucia pentamera

PERU COMMON NAME

Duraznillo, Manzanita tropical

TREE FAMILY

MELASTOMATACEAE

AVERAGE LEAF SIZE (CM)

25cm × **17.5cm**
Length Width

DISTRIBUTION

 **NATIVE TO PERU**

ELEVATIONAL RANGE (M)

350–1000m

TREE HEIGHT

SMALL (10–20M)



NATIVE TO

Region: Americas

Latin America: Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Venezuela

COFFEE AGROFORESTRY INFORMATION

COFFEE SYSTEM

 **ARABICA**

COFFEE IMPACT

 **BENEFICIAL TO COFFEE**

TREE MANAGEMENT

Planted by seeds. Due to the small size of the seeds, it is best to place the fruits in plastic bags until the pulp has partially decomposed and then mix them with water to make a mixture. Water the soil in a nursery seedbed with this mixture and do not cover the seed, but make sure the soil does not dry out.

CULTIVATION

 **PLANTED**
 **NATURAL**

PREVALENCE

Unknown

TREE BENEFITS AND USES

FARMER USES



Food, Medicinal, Product

The edible fruit is collected from the wild for local use and the tree is sometimes grown for its fruit. The juice of the bark is given to babies as a treatment for fungal infections. Fresh fruits are used to treat parasitic worms. The stem is used to dye gourds.

FARM SERVICES



Reforestation

Reforestation: common and easy to observe in secondary forests or in regeneration and can be used in mixed plantations for the recovery of degraded areas in humid areas

BIODIVERSITY BENEFITS

 **YES**

Provides food for wild animals.

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