

## Plants of Guam

# *Syzygium thompsonii*

## Myrtaceae



Mature fruits



Young fruits



Inflorescence extending from branch



Base of tree



Tree bark

**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Syzygium thompsonii* (Merr.) N. Snow

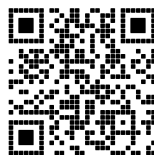
**SUBFAMILY:** Myrtaceae

**COMMON NAME:** Atoto

**CHAMORRO NAME:** Atoto

**ORIGIN:** Endemic to the Mariana Islands

**DISTRIBUTION:** The Mariana Islands

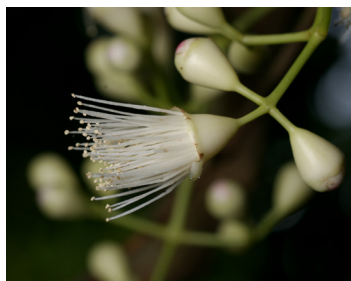




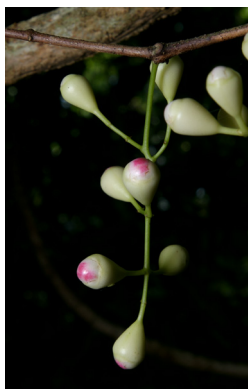
Glossy dark green leaf surface (top side)



Lighter green leaf surface (bottom side)



Flower with numerous stamens



A panicle with flower buds extending from a branch



Reddish-purple young leaves

**FORM:** A small tree to 5-6 m high with irregularly spreading branches

**STEM:** Rough reddish brown bark

**LEAVES:** Oblong with 8-18 cm long and 3-8 cm wide; glossy dark green top side and lighter green bottom side; opposite borne on very short petiole

**FLOWER:** Inflorescence (panicle of 10-20 cm long) on trunk or branches; a flower with many stamens having 6-8 mm long filaments and four white petals

**FRUIT:** Ovoid, 1.5 cm long and bear a persistent calyx; ripen to a dark red

**SEED:** 1-2 hard seed from a fruit

**HABITAT:** Edge of forests on limestone

**PROPAGATION:** Seeds or cutting



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