

Thai Name: Wa Kee Gwang

Scientific name: *Eugenia fruticosa*

Family: Myrtaceae



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Flowering												
Fruiting												

How to grow saplings from seed?



Collect ripe fruit from the ground in May. Remove the fruit flesh. Drop seeds into water and throw away non-viable ones (ones that float). Sow seeds in



trays in full sunlight, and then move trays into shade straight after germination. Young seedlings are prone to attack by aphids and caterpillars, so take any off if found, and apply insecticide if needed. When first true leaves appear pot seedlings into plastic bags. Seedlings are ready to plant after 14 months in the nursery, in the 2nd planting season after germination.



How should saplings be planted and cared for?

Use cardboard mulch when planting them. They grow slowly at first but growth accelerates after 4–5 years.

Framework Species Checklist	
High Survival	MEDIUM
High Growth	MEDIUM
Shady Crown	HIGH 🙋
Resilient to Fire	
Attractive to wildlife	HIGH 🙋

Uses

Fruits can be eaten by humans and wild animals, and are traditionally used to make an alcoholic beverage.