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Fruits of the grumichama <i>(Eugenia brasiliensis)</i>	
Scientific classification	
Kingdom:	Plantae
(unranked):	Angiosperms
(unranked):	Eudicots
(unranked):	Rosids
Order:	Myrtales
Family:	Myrtaceae
Genus:	<i>Eugenia</i>
Species:	<i>E. brasiliensis</i>
Binomial name	
<i>Eugenia brasiliensis</i> Lam.	
Synonyms	
<i>Eugenia dombeyi</i> Skeels	

The **grumichama** (*Eugenia brasiliensis*, syn. *Eugenia dombeyi*) is medium sized tree (maximum 20 meters height) endemic to Brazil which bears small fruits that are purple to black in color, and have a sweet cherry-like flavor. Its wood is used in carpentry, woodworking and turnery. Its small size favors its use in urban landscaping. Its slow growth and low rate of dispersion make it rare, and it's generally considered as an endangered species.^[1]

[1] Paulo Backes & Bruno Irgang, *Mata Atlântica: as árvores e a paisagem*, Porto Alegre, Paisagem do Sul, 2004, page 316.

External links

- Grumichama – Fruits of Warm Climates (<http://www.hort.purdue.edu/newcrop/morton/grumichama.html>)
- Grumichama – Trade Winds Fruit (<http://www.tradewindsfruit.com/grumichama.htm>)

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