PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Oncosperma gracilipes* Becc.

**GENUS** *Oncosperma* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Growing shoots, Cabbage, Palm heart

## DESCRIPTION

A clustering spiny palm. It grows 10 m high. The trunk is 10 cm across. The crown-shafts are deep red or orange. There are lines of small black spines. The leaf crowns form a half circle. The leaves are 2-2.6 m long. The leaf stalks are 60 cm long. The leaflets hang down in older leaves.

## HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in low mountainous rainforest.

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