PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Melodinus fusiformis* Champ. ex Benth.

**GENUS** *Melodinus* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Fruit, Vegetable

## DESCRIPTION

A woody creeper. It grows 4 m long. The leaves are oblong and 6-15 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. There are 3-5 flowers in a group at the ends of branches. The flowers are tube shaped and white with hairs inside. The fruit is a long berry 7 cmlong by 2 cm wide. They taper at both ends.

## HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dense mountain forests between 800-1,800 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

## REFERENCES

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