PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain
It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Dendrocnide longifolia (Hemsl.) Chew.

GENUS *Dendrocnide* **FAMILY** Urticaceae

COMMON NAMES Long-leaf stinging tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

Needs checking as these often have stinging sap.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 3-5 m tall. The leaves are narrow and stiff curved over or hanging down. They are dark green to blackish-purple. The leaf has a wavy edge or is twisted. They are 40-70 cm long by 4-10 cm wide. The leaf stalk is 4-12 cm long. Male and female flowers occur on separate plants.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

NOTES

There are 36 Dendrocnide species.

PICTURES



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