PLANT FACT SHEET

Memecylon umbellatum Burm.

GENUS *Memecylon* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

COMMON NAMES Iron wood tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds

The ripe fruit are eaten.
The seeds are ripe fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized tree. The leaves are small and sword shaped. They are bright green. The flowers are in flattened heads. They are in clusters along the stem. The flowers are small and bright blue. The pulp of the fruit is bluish-black. The fruit is a small round berry.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in tropical places in Asia. It grows at lower elevations in southern Assam.

NOTES

Also put in the family Memecylaceae.

PICTURES



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