PLANT FACT SHEET

Miconia molybdea Naudin

GENUS *Miconia* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

COMMON NAMES Bizcochero

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 4-5 m tall. The trunk is crooked and 20-30 cm across. The leaves are opposite. The leaf is sword shaped and 20-30 cm long by 13-16 cm wide. The base is acute and it tapers to the tip. The stalk is 4-5 cm long. The flowers are in a panicle. The petals are white. The fruit is 6 mm across. There are several seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Bolivia it grows between 200 and 2,000 m altitude. In Argentina it grows between 800-1,000 m above sea level.

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