PLANT FACT SHEET

Coccoloba ascendens Duss. ex Lindau

GENUS *Coccoloba* **FAMILY** Polygonaceae

COMMON NAMES Masari, Bradilifi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The pulp of the fruit is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A liana or creeper. The flowers are in groups in the axils of leaves or near the ends of branches. These are 5-20 cm long. The stalk is angular and has soft hairs. The fruit is an oval envelope. It is 1.5 cm long by 1.3 cm wide. It is greenish red or can be deep blue. It tapers towards the tip. It is juicy and edible.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in rainforest on iron-capped hills. It also grows in savanna and forests along rivers.

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