PLANT FACT SHEET

Tiliacora funifera (Miers) Oliv.

GENUS *Tiliacora* **FAMILY** Menispermaceae

COMMON NAMES Elbow-leaf

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Spice

DESCRIPTION

A creeper or woody climber. It can be 20 m long. The leaf blade is 5-20 cm long by 3-10 cm wide. They are broadly oval and have 3-5 veins from the base. They are dark green. They taper to the tip. The leaf stalk has a swelling and a bend below the leaf blade. The flowers are in clusters on the old stems. Male and female flowers are on separate plants. The flowers are white and 2.5 mm across. The fruit are fleshy and 5-7 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in lowland and upland rain-forest. It grows in moist shady places. It grows between 220-1,250 m above sea level. It is often on termite mounds.

NOTES

The plant contains alkaloids.

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