PLANT FACT SHEET

Diplectria divaricata (Willd.) Kuntze

GENUS *Diplectria* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A woody climber. It can grow 15 m long. The leaves are opposite and oblong and 4-17 cm long by 2-8 cm wide. The flowering shoots are loosely branched and 30 cm long. They are in the axils of leaves or at the ends or twigs. The flower petals can be white, purple or pink. The fruit are fleshy. They are 4-8 mm long by 2-4 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It is usually in the lowlands but can grow up to 1,460 m above sea level.

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