PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Bactris glaucescens* Drude

**GENUS** *Bactris* **FAMILY** Arecaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Fruit

The pulp of the ripe fruit is eaten raw.

## DESCRIPTION

A palm. It grows 2-4 m tall. the trunk is 3-4 cm across. It has a ring of spines near the nodes. There are 4-16 leaves. These have spines about 1 cm long and scattered. The fruit are 1.2-1.5 cm across. They are purple-black. It has a fleshy pulp.

## HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows along streams and between 100-275 m above sea level.

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