PLANT FACT SHEET

Commiphora guidottii Chiov. ex Guid.

GENUS *Commiphora* **FAMILY** Burseraceae

COMMON NAMES Sweet myrrh, Scented myrrh

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 5 m tall. The bark is green or brown and peeling. The leaves have 5-7 leaflets along the stalk and these are 10 cm long by 2.5 cm wide and broadly oval. The flowers are very small. The fruit is round and 1 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in arid areas.

NOTES

Probably edible.
The bark is cut to collect scented myrrh.
This is probably the myrrh mentioned in the Bible.

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