PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Psychotria viridis Ruiz & Pav.

GENUS *Psychotria* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Green balsamo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Caution: It contains hallucinogenic chemicals.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 5 m tall and spread 2 m wide. The leaves are opposite. They are 5-15 cm long by 2-6 cm wide. Underneath the leaves have small pockets near the veins

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by cuttings. It can also be grown by fresh seed.

NOTES

Medicine.

REFERENCES

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