PLANT FACT SHEET

Callicarpa acuminata H. B. Kunth

GENUS *Callicarpa* **FAMILY** Lamiaceae

COMMON NAMES Black beautyberry, Mexican beautyberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2 m high. The leaves are large and oblong and taper to the tip. They have a dense covering underneath. The flowers are 2.5 cm long. They are in groups in the axils of leaves. The fruit are black and fleshy with a stone inside. They are 5 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits hardiness zones 8-10.

NOTES

Previously in the Verbenaceae family.

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