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Miconia umbellata (Mill.) Judd & Ionta

GENUS *Miconia* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 5 m tall. The trunk is 9 cm across. It has straight bristly sticky red hairs on the twigs, leaves ad flowers. The leaves are opposite and oval. They are 10-18 cm long by 8-1 cm wide. The flowers are large and white. The fruit are juicy purple berries.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

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