PLANT FACT SHEET

Myrica heterophylla Raf.

GENUS *Myrica* **FAMILY** Myricaceae

COMMON NAMES Evergreen bayberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The leaves and small fruit are used to flavour soups and other foods.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It can have underground stems and form colonies. It grows 3 m tall. The leaves are narrowly oval and 3-12 cm long by 1-5 cm wide. Plants are separately male and female. The fruit is round to oval and 3-5 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows near streams and lakes.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

Plants flower in early spring and fruit in early autumn.

NOTES

There are about 50 Myrica species.

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