PLANT FACT SHEET

Miconia tococa (Desr.) Michelang.

GENUS *Miconia* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

COMMON NAMES Guianas tococo bush

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or tree. It grows 6 m tall. The flowers are in groups 10 cm long. The upper branches are strongly flattened. The fruit do not have stalks. The fruit are urn shaped berries. They are 0.8 cm long by 0.8 cm wide. The pulp is sweet, juicy and edible. The seeds are irregularly oval and 0.13 cm long by 0.08 cm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forests near rivers and on wet marshy ground in savannas. It suits the wet tropics.

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