PLANT FACT SHEET

Psydrax schimperiana (A. Rich.) Bridson

GENUS *Psydrax* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Kaheltta

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2-10 m high. The young branches are square in section. There can be wings. The leaf blades are 3-11 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. They are narrowly oval. There are 7-50 flowers in a group. The fruit has a stone and the fruit is 5-7 mm long by 6-8 mm wide. It is black when ripe. The stone is 6 mm long by 4 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Ethiopia it grows in the lowlands and middle altitudes.

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