PLANT FACT SHEET

Siparuna echinata (Kunth) A. DC.

GENUS *Siparuna* **FAMILY** Siparunaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - drink

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1-8 m tall. The trunk can be 10 cm across. The young branches can be angular. The leaves are opposite and 13-32 cm long by 8-22 cm wide. The fruit are 1-2 cm across. The turn red or purple when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows between 1,300-3,800 m above sea level.

NOTES

Also put in the family Monimiaceae.

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