PLANT FACT SHEET

Miconia secundivaricata Ocampo & Almeda

GENUS *Miconia* **FAMILY** Melastomataceae

COMMON NAMES Black seed

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The small fruit are eaten for fun to stain the mouth purple.

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It grows 50 cm high. The young leaves are covered with long white hairs. The flowers are white. They are in groups at the ends of branches. The fruit are red berries that turn black when ripe.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in secondary forest. It has been recorded at 380 m above sea level.

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