PLANT FACT SHEET

Myrcia salicifolia DC.

GENUS *Myrcia* **FAMILY** Myrtaceae

COMMON NAMES Insulin plant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 8-12 m tall. The leaves are long and narrow and taper to both ends. The flowers are green. The fruit are red.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics.

NOTES

It has medicinal uses for diabetes and similar issues.

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