



PLANT FACT SHEET

Hilliardiella oligocephala (DC.) H. Rob.

GENUS *Hilliardiella* FAMILY Asteraceae

COMMON NAMES Bicolored-leaved vernonia, Silver leaved vernonia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - tea, Leaves

The leaves are used to make a tea like drink. They are also eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A tufted herb. It grows from a woody rootstock. It grows 30-80 cm tall. It has a silvery grey coating. It produces stems each year. There are many stems. There are many leaves 4 cm long by 2 cm wide. They are oval or sword shaped. The leaves end abruptly in a sharp point. The upper surface is green and the lower surface is silvery grey. The flowers are funnel shaped and purple. The fruit are dry and one seeded.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It is a plant that has adapted to tolerate fire in grassland. It grows in hot arid places. It grows between 15-2,340 m above sea level. It can grow again after fire. It can grow in arid places.

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