

Ficus hispida L.f.

Family: Moraceae

Common name: Hairy Fig

Vernacular name: എരുമനാക്ക്

Nativity: Sri Lanka to India, S China

Habit: Tree

Habitat: Terrestrial

IUCN Status: Least Concerned

Keynotes: Ficus hispida also known as the opposite leaf Fig is a small but well distributed species of tropical fig tree. It is dioecious, with male and female flowers on separate individuals. The leaves are sandpapery to touch. An unusual feature is the figs which hang on long stems.

Uses: In Australia the fruit are eaten by cassowaries and double-eyed fig parrots. Phayre's leaf monkey feeds on the leaves as do the larvae of the moth Melanocercops ficuvorella. The fig wasp Apocrypta bakeri has F. hispida as its host, where it parasitizes the other fig wasp Ceratosolen solmsi.



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