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DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Botanical Name: *Acalypha wilkesiana* Mull. Arg.

Family: Euphorbiaceae

Common Name: Acalypha

General Characters:

- It grows as a pubescent shrub to 3m in height.
- The leaves are arranged alternately, to 15 cm in length, ovate with a dentate leaf margin and an acuminate leaf apex.
- The leaves are commonly used for the treatment of pain, fever and ulcer.
- This plant has foliage that is more colourful than many flowers.
- It occurs in the pacific island and Vanustu.

