

Flacourtia indica

GOVERNOR'S PLUM

Salicaceae

Common Synonyms: *none*

FLEPPC Category: 2

FDACS Listed Noxious Weed: No

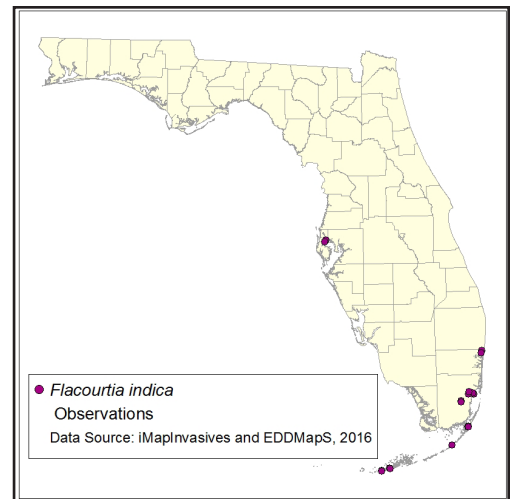
IFAS Assessment

North	OK
Central	CAUTION
South	CAUTION

USDA Hardiness Zone: N/A

Growth Habit: Shrub or Tree

Origin: Southeast Africa, India, Southern Asia, and the Philippines



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Description: Evergreen shrub or tree to 10 m tall with sharp spines in the leaf axils and on trunk. Leaves alternate, simple, leathery, to 8 cm long, shape variable, margins toothed to wavy, glabrous or pubescent. Plants dioecious, flowers small and yellowish in small clusters in the leaf axils. Fruit a round edible berry to 2 cm, red to purple when ripe.

Habitat: rockland hammock, maritime hammock, pine rockland, scrub, disturbed sites

Florida Introduction Date: 1924

Control Methods:

Chemical: Cut-stem (10% glyphosate, Kueffer and Mauremootoo)

Useful Resources:

Kueffer, C. and J. Mauremootoo, J. 2004. Case studies on the status of invasive woody plant species in the Western Indian Ocean3. Mauritius (Islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues). Working Paper FBS/4-3E: FAO of the United Nations Forestry Department, Rome.

Langeland, K.A., H.M. Cherry, C.M. McCormick, K.C. Burks. 2008. Identification and Biology of Non-Native Plants in Florida's Natural Areas-Second Edition. IFAS Publication SP 257. University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.