Luvunga monophylla (DC.) Mabb.

**Family:**
Rutaceae


**Stem**
Ultimately grows into a scrambling vine but also flowers and fruits as a shrub about 2-3 m tall. Vine stem diameters to 4 cm recorded.

**Leaves**
A short recurved spine up to about 5 mm long often present in each leaf axil. Much larger spines usually present on older twigs. Leaf blades about 2.5-8.5 x 1-5 cm, petioles about 0.2-0.4 cm long. Lateral veins forming definite loops inside the blade margin. Oil dots numerous and conspicuous, additional smaller oil dots visible with a lens.

**Flowers**
Inflorescence about half as long as the leaves. Petals about 4 mm long. Stamens six, shorter than the petals, filaments thick, flattened towards the base. Ovary borne on a minute disk. Ovules pendulous, 1 per locule.

**Fruit**
Fruits obovoid, about 10 mm diam., stigma persistent at the apex. Seeds 1 or 2 per fruit.

**Seedlings**
Features not available.

**Distribution and Ecology**
Occurs in WA, NT and from islands in the Torres Strait in CYP. Altitudinal range from near sea level to 300 m. Grows in monsoon forest, vine thickets and similar vegetation types. Also occurs in Malesia (the Philippines, Java and Timor).

**Synonyms**

**RFK Code**
2170