

Mackinlaya macrosciadea – family: *APIACEAE*

BLUE UMBRELLA

Slender rainforest shrub to 1 - 3 metres

Small, greenish flowers; umbels of attractive dark blue fruits

Cultivation: Prefers some shade and moist well-composted soil.

This rainforest understory shrub is native to the Maryborough area north to Far North Queensland near Cooktown. Its natural habitat includes riparian areas, vine thickets and open forests.



It bears attractive glossy oblong leaflets and prolific dark blue fruit.



This shrub can be propagated with fresh seed or cuttings. It makes a great indoor plant.

Fruits are also known as a food source for Cassowaries in North Queensland and the Tooth-billed Bowerbird.