

# *Strobilanthes cuspidata* (Benth.)

**Synonyms** : *Entopogon cuspidatus* Benth. , *E.versicolor* Wight.

**Family** : Acanthaceae

**Vernacular Names**

English : *Strobilanthes*

Malayalam : Kurunji



**Distribution and habitat:** found on hills above 500 m above msl on the drier exposed slopes, gregarious, distributed in Peninsular India

**Botany:** A shrub

• **Leaves** : Ovate to obovate, (sub) coriaceous, glabrous above, white pilous below, base rounded to acuminate.

• **Flowers** : Spikes paniced, often leafless; corolla purplish, 1 cm across, ventricose tube 1.3 cm, puberulous without sericeous between the stamens, acute.

• **Seeds** : Capsules 4 seeded.

**Propagation:** Stem cuttings

