

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

