

FLORA OF BRAZIL

State of Minas Gerais

No. R. 6361 Mauritiella? armata (Mart.) Burr.

Mauritia aff. *martiana* Spruce Det. J. Dransfield

Vernacular name: Buritirana 21 iii 1991

Reserva de Grande Sertão Veredas, 15°08'S
46°46'W, area of Rio Preto (tributary of
R. Carinhanha) very near the border with
Bahia.

Growing on the banks of the Rio Preto.
Clumped palm, with a group of trunks to 5m
covered in short (to 2cm) woody spines.
Blade of frond 1m long x 1.6m broad,
divided to near base into c. 70 divisions;
stipe c. 80cm. Inflorescences to 80cm
long with c. 15 floriferous bracts on each
side of axis; ascending when with few
fruits, pendent with many. Flowers
yellow-green.

Small, young leaves selected for herbarium
specimens.

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