PLANT FACT SHEET

Kopsiopsis hookeri (Walpers) Govaerts

GENUS *Kopsiopsis* **FAMILY** Orobanchaceae

COMMON NAMES Ground cone

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: stem, Root

The stem bases are eaten raw in small amounts.

DESCRIPTION

A dark purple and yellow parasite that grows on the roots of Salal (Gaultheria shallon). It grows 8-12 cm tall. It is 3 cm thick. It can grow alone or in clusters. It has a round base like a corm. The small purple flowers are crowded between the upper scales. The seed capsules are fleshy. They are 1-1.5 cm long and round at the end.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in shaded coastal forests.

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