PLANT FACT SHEET

Atriplex imbricata (Moq.) D. Dietr.

GENUS *Atriplex* **FAMILY** Amaranthaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb or small shrub. It grows 50 cm high. It keeps growing from year to year. The leaves are alternate.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Chile it grows up to the tree line. It grows in areas with low rainfall. It grows in full sun. It grows between 3,500-3,800 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 10-11. It cannot tolerate freezing.

NOTES

They have also been put in the family Chenopodiaceae.

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