PLANT FACT SHEET

Opuntia triacantha (Willd.) Sweet

GENUS *Opuntia* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A cactus. It tends to lie along the ground but can be clambering to 60 cm tall. The stem segments are narrowly oval and green and flattened. The fruit are oval and red and 2.5-3 cm long by 1.5-2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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