PLANT FACT SHEET

Erica arborea L.

GENUS *Erica* **FAMILY** Ericaceae

COMMON NAMES Briar root wood, Tree heath

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Medicine

DESCRIPTION

An upright evergreen shrub. It grows 1-4 m tall. The leaves are dark green and needl-like. The flowers are small and bell-shaped. They have a smell like honey.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean plant. It is best in an acid soil and an open sunny position. It suits hardiness zones 7-9.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are more than 600 Erica species. Probably edible.

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