PLANT FACT SHEET

Amaranthus pumilus Raf.

GENUS *Amaranthus* **FAMILY** Amaranthaceae

COMMON NAMES Seabeach amaranth

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A herb with stems that lie along the ground. It can form mats. They are red and 10-40 cm long. The leaves are fleshy and clustered near the ends of the branches. They are broadly oval and 1- 1.5 cm long. The flowers are yellow. The seeds are reddish brown and 2.5 mm across. They are shiny.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on sandy beaches.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants grow from seeds.

NOTES

It is a threatened species.

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