PLANT FACT SHEET

Berberis haematocarpa Wooton

GENUS *Berberis* **FAMILY** Berberidaceae

COMMON NAMES Mexican barberry, Red barberry, Red-fruited barberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are acid and used for flavouring and jellies.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 3.5 m tall and spreads 1.8 m wide. The stems are strong and upright. The leaves are blue grey. They have leaflets with 4 spiny teeth along each side. The flowers are pale yellow and in clusters. They occur in clusters of 6. The fruit are red or purple.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It can grow in arid places. It suits the desert or dry shrubland. It suits hardiness zones 8-10.

NOTES

It can be a host for black stem rust of wheat.

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