PLANT FACT SHEET

Scorpiurus vermiculatus L.

GENUS *Scorpiurus* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Prickly Scorpionstail, Common caterpillar plant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: pod

The young pods are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A low sprawling annual herb. It has simple leaves. The leaves are oval but broadest above the middle. They often have 3 prominent parallel veins. The flowers usually occur singly. They are 10-20 mm long. The pods have warts on the outer ridges.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant.

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