PLANT FACT SHEET

Tetraclinis articulata (Vahl) Mast.

GENUS *Tetraclinis* **FAMILY** Cupressaceae

COMMON NAMES Arartree, Sandarac gum tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Resin - flavouring, Gum, Leaves - drink

The resin is distilled into an oil used for flavouring alcoholic drinks. Caution: Alcohol is a cause of cancer.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 15 m tall. It can have several stems. The tree exudes a resin. The leaves are scale like and in rings. They are 2-8 mm long by 1-1.5 mm wide. The seed cones are at the ends of branches. There are 4-6 seeds in a cone.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant.

PICTURES



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