PLANT FACT SHEET

Eulychnia breviflora Phil.

GENUS *Eulychnia* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

COMMON NAMES Copao

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A tree like cactus. It is succulent and branches from low down. This trunk can be woody. The stems are 3-7 m tall and 8-11 cm wide. They are green. It has many ribs (10-17) and large white spines in tufts. The flowers are white. They are tube shaped.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It suits the desert or dry shrubland. It grows from sea level to 400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by roots or cuttings.

REFERENCES

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