PLANT FACT SHEET

Acacia hilliana Maiden

GENUS *Acacia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Hill's Tabletop Wattle

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Grubs, Seeds

Grubs are collected from the roots.

DESCRIPTION

A small spreading shrub. It is flat topped and about 1 m tall. The stems are slender and round in cross section. The leaves (phyllodes) are 2-3 cm long by 0.1-0.3 cm wide. They are thin and pointed. They are rough and have glands along them. The flowers are like rods 2-3 cm long. They are a deep orange yellow. The flower stalks are sticky. Flowers occur singly in the angles of leaves. The pods are 2-5 cm long by 0.4-0.6 cm wide. They are flat. They are also sticky and have a prominent edge. They open from the top and curve backwards. The seeds are arranged diagonally.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It occurs on gravely soils. It needs a sunny position and required good drainage.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It is grown from seed. It would probably grow from cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 1,350 Acacia species. Over 1,000 occur in Australia. Also as Mimosaceae.

PICTURES



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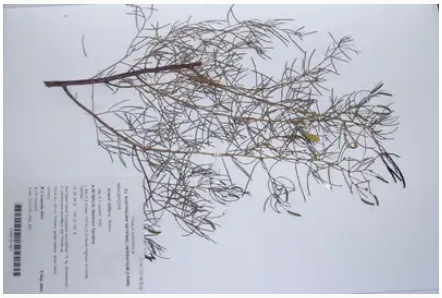

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