PLANT FACT SHEET

Quercus rotundifolia Lam.

GENUS *Quercus* **FAMILY** Fagaceae

COMMON NAMES Holm oak, Spanish holm oak

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Acorns, Nut

The acorns are eaten. They are used in bread, soup, muffins and couscous.
They are the source of an edible oil.
The flour is use for porridge along with cocoa, sugar, rice flour and salep.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 8-12 m tall. The crown is broad and rounded. The bark is greenish and develops shallow square cracks. The leaves are rounded or oblong. They are 1-7 cm long by 1-2.5 cm wide. They can be hairy and with a few teeth. The acorns are 4-5 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. The cup covers 1/3rd.

HABITAT

It is a temperate or Mediterranean plant. It suits hardiness zones 4-8.

NOTES

There are about 600 Quercus species.

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