PLANT FACT SHEET

Alhagi graecorum Boiss.

GENUS *Alhagi* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Camelthorn, Alhagi, Mannatree, Persian manna plant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Manna

DESCRIPTION

A spiny shrub. It grows 60 cm high. The stems are hairless. It has buds near the ground level that can grow. The leaves are simple and alternate. They are oblong or sword shaped and covered with hairs. The flowers are bright red or purple. They are 7-10 mm long. They occur singly or in pairs. The pods are 20-40 mm long and constricted between the seeds. The pods are pale brown and hairy when young.

HABITAT

It grows in Mediterranean climate places. It grows on sand dunes often near the sea. It grows below 1,500 m above sea level. It can grow in the desert. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are 3 Alhagi species.

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