PLANT FACT SHEET

Amaranthus interruptus R. Br.

GENUS *Amaranthus* **FAMILY** Amaranthaceae

COMMON NAMES Native Amaranth

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Leaves

The leaves are used cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A herb which can be erect or lying down. It can be 60-120 cm tall. The stems are angular. The plant often branches from the base upwards. The leaves are 1.5-4 cm long by 0.7-2 cm wide. The leaf stalk is 0.5-2.5 cm long. The side veins are prominent underneath. The flower cluster can be slightly branched at the base and at the top of the plant. Seed are 1 mm across and rather thick.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It occurs in the northern parts of Australia and in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

NOTES

There are about 60 Amaranthus species.

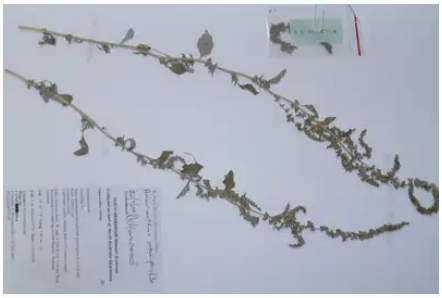
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