PLANT FACT SHEET

Borrichia frutescens (L.) DC.

GENUS *Borrichia* **FAMILY** Asteraceae

COMMON NAMES Jamaican samphire

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are eaten as a potherb and in salads.

DESCRIPTION

A evergreen shrub. It has rhizomes or underground stems. It forms dense mats 1.2 m tall.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. It grows in salt marshes. It can be in brackish water and along limestone rocky shores. It grows up to 10 m above sea level. It can tolerate salty, acid or alkaline conditions. It needs a sunny position.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be used as a hedge or ground cover plant. It is slow growing.

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