PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain
It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Baccharis scandens (Ruiz & Pav.) Pers.

GENUS *Baccharis* **FAMILY** Asteraceae

COMMON NAMES Chilca negra

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 3 m tall. The flowers are white and have 14 or more petals.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Chile it grows at 3,000 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or tip cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 250-350 Baccharis species. There are 300-430 Baccharis species in the neotropics.

REFERENCES

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