PLANT FACT SHEET

Asclepias adscendens (Schltr.) Schltr.

GENUS *Asclepias* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Pompom cartwheels

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A small herb. It grows 10-20 cm high. It branches at the base into several erect stems. The leaves are 5-18 cm long. They are narrowly sword shaped. They are rounded or heart shaped at the base. The flowers are in groups that occur singly at the top of the plant. There are 12-20 flowers in a group. The fruit are hollow pods 5 cm long and 1 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. In South Africa it grows between 450-1,750 m above sea level.

NOTES

Also put in the family Asclepiadaceae.

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