PLANT FACT SHEET

Xanthorrhoea minor R. Br.

GENUS *Xanthorrhoea* **FAMILY** Asphodelaceae

COMMON NAMES Small grass tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Root, Flowers - drink

The roots are eaten when young.
The flowers have sweet nectar that can be used to make a drink.

DESCRIPTION

A small grass tree. It has an underground trunk. It can produce several crowns. It forms leafy clumps. The leaves are narrow and 80 cm long and arch over. The flowers are small and white. They are grouped together in a spike that can be 1 m long. The fruit contain hard black seeds.

HABITAT

It grows in open, well-drained locations.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed.

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