PLANT FACT SHEET

Borzicactus acanthurus (Vaupel) Britton & Rose

GENUS *Borzicactus* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The pulp of the fruit is eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A spiny cactus. The stems are spreading. They are 30 cm long by 2-5 cm thick. The fruit are round and 20-25 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows between 300-2,500 m above sea level.

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