PLANT FACT SHEET

Lewisia columbiana (Howell ex A. Gray) B. L. Rob.

GENUS *Lewisia* **FAMILY** Portulacaceae

COMMON NAMES Columbian bitterroot

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root

The roots are steamed or boiled and can be stored for later use.

DESCRIPTION

A small plant. It is evergreen. It grows 30 cm high and spreads 20 cm wide. The leaves are narrow and fleshy and crowded near the base. They are 25-100 mm long. The flowers occur as many in a head. They are red or white with pink veins. They are 25 mm across. They can have up to 11 petals.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It suits hardiness zones 5-9.

NOTES

There are 20 Lewisia species.

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