PLANT FACT SHEET

Psammisia chionantha Sleumer

GENUS *Psammisia* **FAMILY** Ericaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flower

The flowers are eaten with salt.

DESCRIPTION

A creeping shrub. It grows attached to other plants. The branches can be 3 m long. The leaves are oval and 12-21 cm long by 4.5-10 cm wide. They are rounded at the base and taper to the tip. The flowering shoots are in the axils of the leaves and there are 6-14 flowers in the group. The fruit is a berry 2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It suits the wet tropics. It has been recorded at 1,200m above sea level.

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