PLANT FACT SHEET

Neltuma pallida (Humb. & Bonpl. ex Willd.) C. E. Hughes & G.P.Lewis

GENUS *Neltuma* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Roots

The roots of young plants are roasted and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A medium sized shrub. The bark is grey and corky. It is deeply furrowed. The leaves divide twice. They are 2.5-5 cm long and covered with a bluish bloom. There are 3-10 pairs of larger leaflets and 10-20 pairs of smaller leaflets. The leaflets are leathery and rigid. There are spines on the plant at the base of the leaves. The flower heads are balls and cream. The flower stalks are 2.5-3 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It occurs in Australia. It occurs on moist flats on river soils. It suits tropical and inland regions. It needs good drainage.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It is grown from seed.

NOTES

There are about 1,350 Acacia species. Over 1,000 occur in Australia. Also as Mimosaceae.

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