PLANT FACT SHEET

Corbichonia decumbens (Forssk.) Exell

GENUS *Corbichonia* **FAMILY** Lophiocarpaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Vegetable

The leaves are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. The branches are rigid. It can be erect or lie along the ground. It can grow from seeds each year or grow for a few years. The leaves are narrowly oval and narrowed. They are 2-4 cm long by 1-2.6 cm wide. They are fleshy and have a short sharp tip at the end. The flowers are in groups about 10 cm long and the flowers are 5 mm across. The fruit is a papery capsule 5-6 mm across. It opens by 5 valves. The seeds are 1.1 mm long and black and shiny.

HABITAT

It grows in tropical and subtropical places. In Pakistan it grows in rocky and sandy places and hot dry areas up to 1,000 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

It is also put in the family Molluginaceae and Aizoaceae. There are 2 Corbichonia species.

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