PLANT FACT SHEET

Actinanthella menyharthii (Engl. & Schinz ex Schinz) Balle

GENUS *Actinanthella* **FAMILY** Loranthaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

The twigs have short stiff hairs. The leaf blade is 2-4 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. They are oblong with a blunt point. There are 1 or 2 flowers in the axils of leaves. The corolla is 5-6 cm long and is yellow. The fruit is a red berry. It is 7-8 mm long by 4-5 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in hot drier valleys. In southern Africa it grows between 20-1,400 m altitude.

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