PLANT FACT SHEET

Lycium oxycarpum Dunal

GENUS *Lycium* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten as a snack.

DESCRIPTION

A thorny shrub. It grows 3 m tall. The leaves are alternate and in tufts on short shoots. They are 20-50 mm long by 3-11 mm wide. The flowers have both sexes. They are tube shaped and cream with the tube being purple. The fruit are oval red berries. They are 5-7 mm long by 3-5 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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