PLANT FACT SHEET

Gymnosporia royleana Wall. ex M. A. Lawson

GENUS *Gymnosporia* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

COMMON NAMES Prickly spike thorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit can be eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It has spiny branches. The thorns are 1-2.5 cm long. The leaves are oval and 1.5-4 cm long by 0.5-2 cm wide. The fruit capsules are 5-7 mm wide. They split open into 3 valves.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

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