PLANT FACT SHEET

Frankenia salina (Molina) I. M. Johnst.

GENUS *Frankenia* **FAMILY** Frankeniaceae

COMMON NAMES Alkali heath, Alkali seaheath

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Ashes-salt, Leaves - flavouring

The plant is burnt to produce salt.

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It grows 30 cm tall. The leaves are oval and without stalks.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in coastal salt marshes.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from rhizomes. It can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are about 70 Frankenia species.

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