PLANT FACT SHEET

Acanthocalycium rhodotrichum (K. Schum.) Schlumpb.

GENUS *Acanthocalycium* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Fruit, Stem - water

The flowers are eaten as a vegetable.
The fresh or dried fruit are boiled.
The inner part of the stem is squeezed for its watery liquid.

DESCRIPTION

A cactus. It keeps growing from year to year.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In Argentina it grows below 500 m below sea level.

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