PLANT FACT SHEET

Vachellia grandicornuta (Gerstner) Seigler & Ebinger

GENUS *Vachellia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Horned thorn tree

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 3-10 m high but can be a small shrub. It is spiny. The thorns are swollen. It loses its leaves during the year. The bark peels off and is red underneath. The flowers are white. They have a sweet scent. The fruit are pods 6-12 cm long by 1 cm wide. They are curved. The seeds are 1 cm long by 0.5 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows below 900 m above sea level. It grows in dry regions. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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