PLANT FACT SHEET

Combretum sericeum G. Don

GENUS *Combretum* **FAMILY** Combretaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Medicine

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It has erect shoots 1 m tall. These come from a woody rootstock. The flower petals can be yellow, pink or red. The fruit is pink and turns pale brown.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in savannah.

NOTES

The gum is used as medicine.
The roots are used to treat diarrhoea.

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