PLANT FACT SHEET

Bituminaria bituminosa (L.) C. H. Stirt.

GENUS *Bituminaria* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Owaineh, Arabian pea, Asphalt clover

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves, Flower

The fruit are stewed and eaten or cooked in pastry or eaten raw.
The young leaves are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A bean family herb. It does not have a stem. The leaves have 3 leaflets with teeth along the edge. They have a smell of bitumen. The flowers are on long stalks.

Often still called Psoralea bituminosa L.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant.

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