PLANT FACT SHEET

Caralluma adscendens var. fimbriata (Roxb.) Haw., (Wall.)

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GENUS *Caralluma* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Plant, Leaves

The whole plant is boiled in water then eaten with salt and chilli. It is used as a vegetable.
It is used as a thirst quencher and is supposed to suppress hunger.

DESCRIPTION

An erect branched herb. It is succulent. It grows 20-30 cm tall. The stems are leafless. They are 4 angled and fleshy. They are green and taper to a point. The leaves are very small and only on young branches. The flowers are at the ends of branches. They can occur singly or at 2-3 together. The flowers are like wheels and are 2 cm across. The petals are purple with yellow markings.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in Rajasthan on the Deccan. It grows at aAn erect succulent plant. It looks like a small cactus. n altitude of 600-900 metres.

NOTES

There are about 56-100 Caralluma species. These are sometimes put in the Asclepiadaceae.

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