PLANT FACT SHEET

Pyrus cordata Desv.

GENUS *Pyrus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Plymouth pear, Algerian pear

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten when very ripe and preferably after storing.
They are also used for making a drink.

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It grows 4 m tall. It loses its leaves during the year. The leaves are oval. The flowers are white and have a scent. The fruit are small and round.

HABITAT

It is a temperate or Mediterranean plant. Arboretum Tasmania.

PICTURES



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