PLANT FACT SHEET

Barleria strigosa Willd.

GENUS *Barleria* **FAMILY** Acanthaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are grilled and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. The stems are swollen just above where the leaves are attached. The stems are flattened and have light brown hairs. The leaves are 13 cm long by 6 cm wide. The flowers are in a compact spike in the axils of the leaves. There is a single leaf like bract around each flower. The flowers are bluish. The fruit is an oval capsule. There are 1 or 2 seeds that have hooks.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant.

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