PLANT FACT SHEET

Rothmannia urcelliformis (Schweinf. ex Hiern.) Bullock ex Robyns

GENUS *Rothmannia* **FAMILY** Rubiaceae

COMMON NAMES Forest rothmannia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 8-12 m tall. The small branches are hairy. The leaves are opposite and sword shaped. They are shiny and dark green. The flowers occur singly. They are trumpet shaped and in the axils of leaves. They are creamy white with red marks. The fruit are 3-8 cm long. They are round or oval. The seeds are black and 8 mm long by 6 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in mid altitude rain-forest. In Zimbabwe it grows between 1,050-2,000 m above sea level.

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