PLANT FACT SHEET

Combretum collinum subsp. gazense Fresen., (Swynn. & Baker f.) Okafor

GENUS *Combretum* **FAMILY** Combretaceae

COMMON NAMES Bi-coloured bushwillow

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Gum

DESCRIPTION

A shrub with several stems. It can grow to 14 m high. The stems are angled and have an olive brown covering. The leaves vary in shape. They can be narrowly or broadly oval and 12 cm long by 6 cm wide. The flowering stalks can be branched or simple. The flower receptacle can be 5 mm long. The fruit have red scales.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows from sea level to 600 m altitude. It grows in areas with an annual rainfall above 250 mm. It can grow in arid places.

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