PLANT FACT SHEET

Lycium brevipes Benth.

GENUS *Lycium* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Baja desert thorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It can grow 2 m tall. The branches are thorny. The branches have small fleshy leaves 1.5 cm long. They have small hairs. The flowers are tube shaped and occur in clusters. The flowers are 1-2 cm long. The flowers are pale purple. The fruit is round and bright red. It is 1 cm wide and has many seeds.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant. It grows in the desert.

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