PLANT FACT SHEET

Embothrium coccineum J. R. & G. Forster

GENUS *Embothrium* **FAMILY** Proteaceae

COMMON NAMES Chilean firebush

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

The seeds are cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1.2 m high. The flowers are grouped in clusters. The flowers are red. They have 4 petals. The fruit is a dry follicle. It has 10 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In Chile it grows from 400-1,500 m above sea level. It grows in humid areas with regular rainfall. It grows in full sun. It can grow in some shade. It grows in hardiness zone 7. It can tolerate frost and snow. Arboretum Tasmania.

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