PLANT FACT SHEET

Choristylis rhamnoides Harv.

GENUS *Choristylis* **FAMILY** Escalloniaceae

COMMON NAMES False dogwood, False shiny-leaf

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A scrambler or tree. It grows up to 18 m high. It has long drooping branches. Young branches are reddish-brown. The leaves are alternate. The leaves are more pale underneath. There are teeth along the edge with small black glands. The flowers are in dense clusters in the axils of leaves. They are small and greenish-yellow.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests near the edge and along rivers. In Zimbabwe it grows between 900-2,300 m above sea level.

NOTES

There is only one Choristylis species.

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