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Arbutus arizonica (A. Gray) Sarg.

GENUS *Arbutus* **FAMILY** Ericaceae

COMMON NAMES Arizona madrone

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A small tree. It keeps its leaves throughout the year. On young trees the bark is thin, smooth and dark red. It peels in long stripes. Older trees has thicker bark with long cracks. The leaves are thin and slender. They are sword shaped and pointed at the tip. The flowers are in loose clusters. The fruit are small and like strawberries. The ripen to dark orange-red. They are sweet and edible.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in dry gravel areas. It grows up to 2,500 m altitude in mountains in Arizona in the USA.

NOTES

There are 14 Arbutus species.

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