PLANT FACT SHEET

Triteleia hyacinthina (Lindl.) Greene

GENUS *Triteleia* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Hyacinth brodiaea

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Bulb

The corms are boiled and mashed.

DESCRIPTION

An onion family plant. It is a small bulb plant. It grows 45-60 cm high and spreads 20-30 cm wide. The leaves are grass-like. These onion-like leaves often die before flowers appear. The bulbs are dormant for part of the year before re-growing. The flower stems are wiry. They have heads of up to 10 bowl shaped flowers. These are 8 cm wide. They are white or lavender. They are 25 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. They need moist, well-drained soils. The soils should never be waterlogged. It suits hardiness zones 4-9.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from the bulbs or corms.

NOTES

There are 15 Tritelia species.
Also put in the family Alliaceae.

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