PLANT FACT SHEET

Medicago scutellata (L.) Mill.

GENUS *Medicago* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Snail clover, Snail medic

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seed pods

Some forms in Japan have been developed for their edible pods.

DESCRIPTION

A sprawling annual herb. The leaves have 3 leaflets that are oval or wedge shaped. The flowers are 6-7 mm long. They are in clusters of 3. The pods are 9-18 mm long with 4-8 spirals. They have glandular hairs.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in waste places and on rocky ground. Tasmania Herbarium.

NOTES

There are about 55 Medicago species.

PICTURES



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