PLANT FACT SHEET

Airampoa soehrensii (Britton & Rose) Lode

GENUS *Airampoa* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit is eaten raw or cooked.
The fruit and seeds can be used to colour pastry.

DESCRIPTION

A cactus. It grows 20 cm high. It can lie along the ground and form roots from the edge. There are clumps of growth. It has very long spines.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It grows in mountain regions. In Chile it grows at high altitudes up to 4,000 m above sea level. It grows in dry arid conditions. It is in areas with a winter rainfall or 100-300 mm. It grows in full sun. It can stand some shade. It suits hardiness zone 9. It can tolerate occasional light frost.

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