PLANT FACT SHEET

Pentatropis nivalis)J. F. Gmel.) D. V. Field & J. R. I. Wood

GENUS *Pentatropis* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Pods

The young pods are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A twining herb. It grows 4 m tall. The older stems have rough corky bark. The leaves are opposite and have short leaf stalks. They are fleshy and narrowly oblong. They are 1-5 cm long by 04.-3 cm wide. The flowers are in 5 flowered clusters in the axils of leaves. They are pale greenish yellow. The pods are 5-7 cm long by 1 cm wide. They are narrowed to a long tip. The seeds are oval and flattened. They are 4.5 mm long with a tuft of hairs at the tip.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant. It can grow in dry and arid areas.

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