PLANT FACT SHEET

Austrocylindropuntia floccosa (Salm-Dyck ex Winterfield) F. Ritter

GENUS *Austrocylindropuntia* **FAMILY** Cactaceae

COMMON NAMES Huaraco cactus

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A cactus. It forms mats. The segments are 15 cm long and 6 cm wide. The leaves are awl-shaped and 0.7 cm long. The flowers are yellow to orange.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in dry valleys and rocky slopes in high elevations.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds and cuttings.

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