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Nothosaerva brachiata (L.) Wight

GENUS *Nothosaerva* **FAMILY** Amaranthaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are used as a pot herb.

DESCRIPTION

An annual herb. It grows 10-45 cm high. The leaves are narrowly oval. They are 10-40 mm long by 6-20 mm wide. They taper towards the leaf stalk. The flowers are in dense spikes. The seed are about 0.4 mm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in sandy depressions that occasionally contain water.

NOTES

There is only one Nothosaerva species.

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