



INDIGENOUS GARDEN

Daucus glochidiatus (Native Carrot)

Indigenous use

The small root of Native Carrot was picked by indigenous people and eaten, much the same as normal carrots are, most probably cooked before being eaten.

Description

Daucus glochidiatus grows to 60cm tall. It has leaves opposite each other on the stem, and clustered at the base of the plant up to 2-5cm long. Tiny flowers (less than 3mm across), white, pink, purple or red, with 5 petals grow at the tops of the stems and at the base of the leaves.



Habitat

Daucus glochidiatus is common in both temperate and arid areas of Australia, but not in tropical areas. It is often found in association with limestone, though it tolerates a variety of soils.