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Alaria esculenta

DABBERLOCKS is a seaweed. Found in the North Sea and the northern Atlantic it has fragile leaf-like, light olive-brown to dark brown blades.

It is also known as Badderlocks, Bladder locks, Edible kelp, *Havskål* (Swedish), Hen-ware, Kelp, *Marinjarin* (Icelandic), Murlins, Seaweed, and Wing kelp.

The seaweed needs to be kept in fresh water for 24 hours before use either fresh or dried.

Esculenta is Latin (eatable).

Locally particularly in western Scotland, The Faeroes, Denmark and Ireland the seaweed ie. the stalk with its finger-like protuberances, and the midrib and blade, has been gathered for food.