PLANT FACT SHEET

Brassica tournefourtii Gouan

GENUS *Brassica* **FAMILY** Brassicaceae

COMMON NAMES Wild Turnip, Asian mustard, Mediterranean Turnip

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Shoots, Flowers, Leaves, Seeds - oil, Root

The leaves and young shoots are eaten cooked.
The seeds are a source of edible oil.
The leaves and seeds are used as a spice.

DESCRIPTION

A cabbage family herb. It is an annual herb. The leaves are bristly and divided along the stalk. They have 7 or 8 side lobes. They lie flat on the ground. The flower petals are light yellow. There are 4 petals and there can be a violet tint near their base. The pollen is cream coloured. The dry pod is 6.5 cm long and swollen over the seeds. They end in a cone shaped beak. This usually contains one seed.

HABITAT

It grows in warm temperate places. It grows on rocky and sandy places. It is resistant to frost but sensitive to drought. Tasmania Herbarium.

PRODUCTION

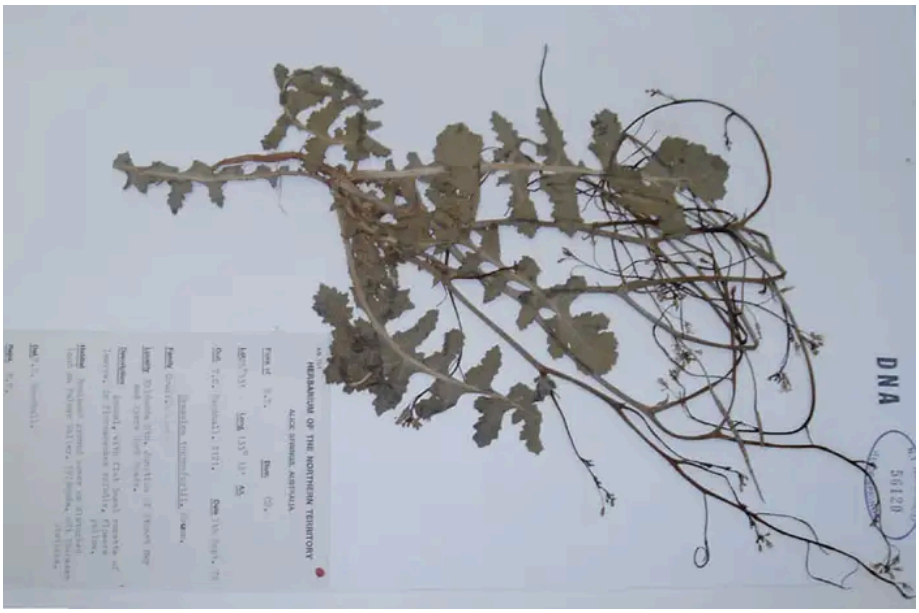
Cultivation

Plants grow easily from seed.

NOTES

There are about 30 Brassica species and many cultivated varieties.

PICTURES



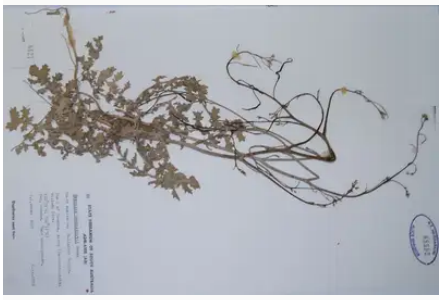
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