PLANT FACT SHEET

Geranium bicknellii Britton

GENUS *Geranium* **FAMILY** Geraniaceae

COMMON NAMES Bicknell's Cranesbill, Northern Crane's-bill

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The leaves can be eaten raw or cooked.
The flowers are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows for one or two years. It grows 12-40 cm high. The leaves are divided into narrow segments. The leaves are 18-60 mm wide. The flowers are in pairs and are red. They are 8-12 mm wide. The fruit is a dry capsule with a long beak. It splits lengthwise into 5 divisions.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows near the tree line in the Rocky Mountains. It grows in clearings and open woods and in disturbed soil. It needs a sunny location.

NOTES

There are about 300-400 Geranium species. They are mostly temperate.

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