PLANT FACT SHEET

Rubus assamensis Focke

GENUS *Rubus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Fikteging

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A climbing shrub. It has small curved prickles. The leaves are simple with lobes. They are 6-11 cm long by 4-6 cm wide. There are many flowers in a group in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. They are white. The fruit is aggregate and red but turning black when ripe. They are 8 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In southern China it grows on the edges of forests between 1,400-3,000 m above sea level. It grows in Sichuan and Yunnan in China.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Yunnan fruit are available in August and September.

NOTES

There are about 250 Rubus species.

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