PLANT FACT SHEET

Robinia neomexicana A. Gray

GENUS *Robinia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES New Mexico Locust

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Seeds, pod

The flowers are eaten raw. They are also boiled and dried and stored for later use.
The pods are eaten raw. The pods are also cooked and stored.
Caution:

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 5-10 m tall. It has thorns. They are longer than with black locust. The leaves are 10-15 cm long. There are 7-15 leaflets along the stalk. The leaves have a pair of sharp thorns at their base. The flowers are in clusters and are rose pink. They are in groups 5-10 cm long near the ends of the branches. The fruit are bean like pods. They are brown and have bristles on them.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In California it grows between 1,500-2,600 m above sea level. Hobart Botanical Gardens.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds. The seeds should be soaked for 48 hours in warm water.

NOTES

There are about 20 Robinia species.

PICTURES



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