PLANT FACT SHEET

Rhus aromatica Aiton

GENUS *Rhus* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Lemon sumach, Fragrant sumach, Polecat bush

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are mixed with corn meal, beaten with sugar or boiled into a tea.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub which develops suckers. It grows 0.9-1.5 m tall and spreads 1.5 m wide. The leaves have leaflets spread out like fingers on a hand. These are oval and have teeth along the edge. They have an aroma. The flowers are small and yellow. The fruit is round and red.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It suits hardiness zones 8-11.

NOTES

There are about 200 Rhus species.

PICTURES



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