PLANT FACT SHEET

Berberis laurina Billb. ex Thunb.

GENUS *Berberis* **FAMILY** Berberidaceae

COMMON NAMES Espinho de Sao Joao, Clifata

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are fermented to make a kind of wine. The fruit can be eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2 m high. The spines have 3 parts. The leaves are shiny and spiny. The flowers hang down in groups. The fruit are small dark red, berries.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on mountains in South America. In Argentina it grows up to 2,000 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by seeds.

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