PLANT FACT SHEET

Melilotus altissimus Thuill.

GENUS *Melilotus* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Tall melilot, Tall yellow sweet-clover

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Seeds

CAUTION: Don't use plants dried.
It is used for flavouring green cheese.
The young shoots can be cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A tall herb. It can grow for 2 or more years. It grows 1.5 m high. The stems are erect and branched. The leaflets are oblong and have sharp teeth. The flowers are yellow. They are 5-7 mm long. They are in dense many flowered clusters. The pods are oval and 5-6 mm long. They are flattened and hairy. They become black.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in damp and salty soils and along roadsides.

NOTES

There are about 20 Melilotus species. They are temperate and subtropical.

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