PLANT FACT SHEET

Gypsophila davurica Turczaninow ex Fenzl

GENUS *Gypsophila* **FAMILY** Caryophyllaceae

COMMON NAMES North China's baby breath, Meadow rock flower

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Shoots

CAUTION: It contains toxic saponin.
The root is eaten after extensive processing.
The young shoots are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows up to 80 cm tall. The leaves are opposite and without leaf stalks. They are narrow and sword shaped. They are 3-5 cm long by 3-7 mm wide. The flowers are white and tinged pink. They are in loose groups at the ends of the shoots.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on hills, dry rocky slopes, steppes, fixed dunes in China. It grows in the eastern forests in Manchuria.

NOTES

It is used in medicine. There are about 100 Gypsophila species.

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