PLANT FACT SHEET

Flemingia strobilifera (L.) Aiton f.

GENUS *Flemingia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Wild hops, Luck plant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows to about 3 m high. The bark is reddish. It has many small corky spots on the bark. The leaves are 3-14 cm long by 2.8-4.8 cm wide. They are simple and oval. There are hairs on the midrib. The flowers are greenish white. They occur at the ends of branches. The fruit is a pod. It is finely downy.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. In Nepal it grows between 300-2300 m altitude. In southern China it grows on mountain slopes between 200-1,600 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

NOTES

There are about 35 Flemingia species.

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