PLANT FACT SHEET

Viburnum setigerum Hance

GENUS *Viburnum* **FAMILY** Viburnaceae

COMMON NAMES Tea-leaf viburnum

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves - tea

The leaves are used as a tea substitute.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1.5-3.5 m high and spreads 2 m wide. It loses its leaves during the year. The leaves are large and oblong and dark green. They are paler and woolly underneath. The leaves change colour in autumn. The flowers are small. The fruit are orange and red. They are oval.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In southern China it grows in forests and scrub between 800-1,700 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 5-9. Arboretum Tasmania.

NOTES

There are about 150 Viburnum species. Also put in the family Caprifoliaceae.

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