PLANT FACT SHEET

Allium hypsistum Stearn.

GENUS *Allium* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Jimbu

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

Leaves are dried and used for flavouring.

DESCRIPTION

An onion family plant. A herb which grows up to 25 cm high. The leaves and long and narrow but round in cross section. The flowers are pink when young then turn white. They are clustered at the end of the stalk.

HABITAT

In Nepal it grows from 200-4500 m altitude. It grows in open, moist rocky places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or bulbs.

NOTES

There are about 300-700 Allium species. Most species of Allium are edible (Flora of China). All alliums are edible but they may not all be worth eating!
They have also been put in the family Alliaceae.

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