PLANT FACT SHEET

Dinetus racemosus (Roxb.) Buch.-Ham. ex Sweet

GENUS *Dinetus* **FAMILY** Convolvulaceae

COMMON NAMES Snow creeper

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Fruit stalks

The young leaves are eaten with pepper, either fresh or dried.
The fruit stalks are eaten when food is scarce.

DESCRIPTION

A twining herb. It usually grows 2-3 m long but can be much longer. The stems are angular and initially hairy. The leaf stalks are 3-7 cm long. The leaf blades are deeply heart shaped and 6-17 cm long by 4-9 cm wide. It is paler and hairy underneath. The flowering stalks occur singly or in pairs. They can be 13-45 cm long. The flowers are funnel shaped and usually white. The fruit is light brown and narrowly oval.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in open sites in forest and scrub. It grows between 1,000-2,000 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

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