PLANT FACT SHEET

Malva thuringiaca (L.) Vis.

GENUS *Malva* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

COMMON NAMES Tree mallow

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The young leaves are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1.8 m high and spreads 0.9-1.2 m wide. It is evergreen and keeps growing from year to year. The leaves usually have 5 lobes. The flowers are rose pink. They are 20-45 mm long. The flower stalks are 13 mm long.

HABITAT

It grows on hill slopes and the edges of woodland. It suits hardiness zones 8-11.

NOTES

There are about 25 Lavatera species.

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