PLANT FACT SHEET

Lathyrus blepharicarpus Boiss.

GENUS *Lathyrus* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Ciliate vetchling

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Shoots

The soft fruit are eaten raw. The young shoots are also eaten raw.
Caution: They should possibly not be eaten in large amounts.

DESCRIPTION

An annual herb. It grows 15-30 cm high. It is erect or climbs by tendrils. The leaves are alternate and compound. They have leaflets along the stalk. The flowers occur singly. They are orange to red. The fruit is a flattened pod.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant. It grows in woodlands and shrublands.

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