PLANT FACT SHEET

Pistacia khinjuk Stocks

GENUS *Pistacia* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Khinjuk

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Nut, Seed, Leaves

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows 6-10 m tall. Young shoots are hairy. The leaves are compound with 3-7 leaflets along the stalk and one at the end. These are opposite and rough textured. The leaflets are 5-8 cm long by 3-6 cm wide. They are oval with an oblique base. The end leaflet is larger than the side leaflets. The flower panicles are near the axils of the leaves and 14-16 cm long. The fruit is 4-6 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In Pakistan it grows in rocky areas between 1,500 and 2,400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In NW Pakistan flowers are in March to April and fruit are harvested in October.

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