PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Cuscuta reflexa* Roxb.

**GENUS** *Cuscuta* **FAMILY** Convolvulaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Leaves, Plant

## DESCRIPTION

A climbing herb. The stems are yellow or pale green. They are 2-3 mm across. They have brown spots. The flowers are on the side. There can be several flowers in a group. They are white or cream and have a scent. They are small and tube shaped.

## HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows on shrubs between 900-2,800 m above sea level in southern China. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

## PRODUCTION

### Cultivation

Plants can grow from seed.

## NOTES

There are 170 Cuscuta species. Also put in the family Cuscutaceae. Cuscuta plants are parasites growing on other plants.

## REFERENCES


Anderson, E. F., 1993, Plants and people of the Golden Triangle. Dioscorides Press. p 208

Aryal, K. P., et al, 2018, Diversity and use of wild and non-cultivated edible plants in the Western Himalaya. Journal of Ethnobiology and Ethnomedicine (2018) 14:10

Das, S. and Mohiuddin, M., 2012, Gender role in Home Garden Management in the Indigenous Community: A case study in Bandarban Hill District, Bangladesh. International Journal of Social Forestry. 5(1):22-37

Sarma, H., et al, 2010, Updated Estimates of Wild Edible and Threatened Plants of Assam: A Meta-analysis. International Journal of Botany 6(4): 414-423

World Checklist of Useful Plant Species 2020. Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew



**PROVIDED BY** **Food Plants International**

French, B.R. & Maynard, A.R. Food Plants International Database. Food Plants International



**LICENCE** CC BY-NC-SA 3.0



**ONLINE FACT SHEET** https://www.echocommunity.org/en/resources/291b140d-20e9-4e8b-a058-56fded3cb038