PLANT FACT SHEET

Bupleurum falcatum L.

GENUS *Bupleurum* **FAMILY** Apiaceae

COMMON NAMES Thorow-wax, Hare's ear, Sickle Hare's Ear, Sickle-leaved hare's-ear

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Roots, Leaves

The roots are eaten.
The leaves are used as a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A variable perennial herb. It has hollow stems. The leaves at the base are oblong and have stalks. There are 5-7 veins. The leaves on the stem are narrow and often sickle shaped and do not have stalks but clasp the stem. The flower umbels are yellow. There are 3-15 rays. The fruit are oblong and 3-4 mm long. They have narrow ridges.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on stony and grassy locations. It needs a well-drained soil and full sun.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed or division of the plant.

NOTES

It is used as medicine in Nepal. There are about 100 Bupleurum species. The stem and the leaves contain the glucoside rutin.

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