PLANT FACT SHEET

Grangea maderaspatana (L.) Poir.

GENUS *Grangea* **FAMILY** Asteraceae

COMMON NAMES Madras carpet

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The tender leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A leafy herb. It grows each year from seed. It lies along the ground. It forms round patches. It grows 50 cm tall. The stems are hairy. The leaves have stalks. The edges are deeply wavy and divided into narrow leaflets. The flower heads are green or yellow. The fruit is an achene.

HABITAT

A tropical and subtropical plant. It grows in Nepal to about 2000 m altitude. It grows on dry, sandy loams. It is common on the edges of canals, ditches and rice fields. It grows in wet grassland savannah. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds or by splitting the clump.

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