PLANT FACT SHEET

Zanthoxylum americanum Mill.

GENUS *Zanthoxylum* **FAMILY** Rutaceae

COMMON NAMES Common pricklyash

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seed - spice

The seeds are cooked and used as a pepper substitute.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It can be 4-10 m tall. The leaves have leaflets along the side. There are 5-11 leaflets. Male and female flowers are on separate plants. The flowers are in clusters in the axils of leaves. The petals are yellow to green. The fruit are green and turn red. The fruit are 4-5 mm across and contain one seed.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It suits hardiness zones 3-7.

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