PLANT FACT SHEET

Allium sacculiferum Maxim.

GENUS *Allium* **FAMILY** Amaryllidaceae

COMMON NAMES Chao xian xie

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves, Root, Bulb

DESCRIPTION

An onion family plant. It is a bulb plant. The bulb can be single or in pairs. They are 0.7-1.5 cm across. The outer covering is dark brown. It is thinly leathery. There are 3-5 leaves which are linear and shorter than the scape. They are 3-4 mm wide. The scape is 30-60 cm high. It is covered with leaf sheaths for 1/2 its length. The flower head is round with many flowers.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in meadows and beside rovers from 100-500 m altitude in N China.

NOTES

There are about 300-700 Allium species. Most species of Allium are edible (Flora of China). All alliums are edible but they may not all be worth eating! They have also been put in the family Alliaceae.

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