PLANT FACT SHEET

Tetrastigma rumicispermum (M. Laws.) Planch.

GENUS *Tetrastigma* **FAMILY** Vitaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten. They are sweet.

DESCRIPTION

A woody climber. The tendrils are divided. The leaves have 5 leaflets spread out like fingers on a hand. The central leaflets is narrowly oval and 4-17 cm long by 3-8 cm wide. The flowers are in the axils of leaves or on branches opposite the leaves. The fruit is round berry up to 1 cm across. There are 2 or 3 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In southern China it grows in forests on hillsides and valleys between 500-2,500 m above sea level. In Sikkim it grows between 1,500-2,300 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In Sikkim fruit are available October to November.

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