PLANT FACT SHEET

Berberis chitria Buch.-Ham. ex Lindl.

GENUS *Berberis* **FAMILY** Berberidaceae

COMMON NAMES Chitra

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 2-4 m tall. It loses many leaves during the year. The leaves occur as 4 in a ring. There are teeth along the edge. The leaves are dull green above and pale yellow-green underneath. The flowers are yellow and in groups. The fruit are oblong and dark reddish-brown. They have several seeds.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in forests in the Himalayas between 1,500-2,800 m above sea level.

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