PLANT FACT SHEET

Prunus sibirica L.

GENUS *Prunus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Siberian apricot, Guilesu, Hegerin guilesu

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds - oil, Stems - tea

The young fruit are eaten.
The stems are used for a tea drink.
The seeds are used for edible oil.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 2-5 m high. The bark is dark grey. The branches are spreading. They have a few hairs when young. The leaf blade is oval and 5-10 cm long by 4-7 cm wide. The flowers occur singly. The fruit are yellow to orange and 1.5-2.5 cm long and wide.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in forests and mountainous areas between 400-2,500 m above sea level in north central China.

NOTES

There are about 200 Prunus species.

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