PLANT FACT SHEET

Aristolochia contorta Bunge

GENUS *Aristolochia* **FAMILY** Aristolochiaceae

COMMON NAMES Ma dou ling

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

CAUTION: It has been reported as poisonous and medicinal.

DESCRIPTION

A perennial herb. It grows up to 1 m high. It can be climbing. The leaf stalk is 2-7 cm long. The leaves are narrowly D shaped or heart shaped and 3-13 cm long by 3-10 cm wide. They are papery.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on mountain slopes and valleys between 500-1,200 m above sea level in north China.

NOTES

The Aristolochiaceae are mostly tropical and subtropical. There are about 500 Aristolochia species.

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