PLANT FACT SHEET

Trachelospermum lucidum (D. Don) K. Schum.

GENUS *Trachelospermum* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Shining star jasmine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A climber. It is an evergreen shrub. The shoots have milky sap. The young shoots are hairy. The leaves are 5-15 cm long by 2.5 cm wide. They are sword shaped. They are more pale underneath. The flowers are white. The fruit are long and narrow. They are 15-30 cm long by 0.5 cm wide. The seeds are 1.5 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

NOTES

There are 30 Trachelospermum species. It is used in medicine.

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