PLANT FACT SHEET

Elaeagnus bockii Diels

GENUS *Elaeagnus* **FAMILY** Elaeagnaceae

COMMON NAMES Long-leaved elaeagnus

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub. It grows 2 m high. It has stout short thorns on the branches. The current year's growth has scales. The leaves are narrowly oval and 5-11 cm long by 1-3 cm wide. The edges are curve back when dry. The flowers are in clusters in the axils of leaves. They are funnel shaped and there are 4 lobes at the end. They are 10 mm long by 3 mm wide. The fruit are oblong and 9-10 mm long. They are red and hang down.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows in central China. It grows between 600-2,400 m above sea level. In Sichuan.

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