PLANT FACT SHEET

Marsdenia roylei Wight

GENUS *Marsdenia* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A twining shrub or climber. The juice is milky. The branches are woody and has raised lenticels. The leaves are 8-13 cm long by 4-8 cm wide. They are oval with a heart shaped base. They are hairy on both surfaces. The fruit are dry with several seeds. The fruit are 7.5 cm long by 2.5 cm wide. The seeds are oval and have a beak and with a thin wing along the edge.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in the Himalayas between 1,000-2,300 m altitude.

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