PLANT FACT SHEET

Macrocystis integrifolia Bory de Saint-Vincent

GENUS *Macrocystis* **FAMILY** Laminariaceae

COMMON NAMES Buiro, Giant kelp

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Algae, Frond, Seaweed

The plant is dried and eaten with herring roe.

DESCRIPTION

A seaweed. It is deep greenish brown. It has several stems attached to a single holdfast. The blades are large and flat and leaf-like. These are 35-40 cm long and 5-10 cm wide. The blades have a wavy surface and teeth along the edge. They taper to the base. They have a float at the base that causes them to float near the water surface.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

NOTES

There are 4 Macrocystis species.
Also put in the family Lessoniaceae.

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