PLANT FACT SHEET

Lindera obtusiloba Blume

GENUS *Lindera* **FAMILY** Lauraceae

COMMON NAMES Dankobai, Shui-luo-po

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - spice, Flowers - spice

Young buds, flowers and leaves are used as a tea substitute.
The leaves are fried and served as a ceremonial dish.

DESCRIPTION

A spreading deciduous shrub or small tree. It can grow 9 m tall. The branches are grey-yellow and can be flushed with purple. The leaves can have smooth edges or have 3 lobes. The leaves turn golden in autumn. The flowers are small and star-shaped. They are green-yellow and crowded in groups on the previous years growth. The fruit are glossy and dark red to black.

HABITAT

It is a temperate climate plant. It suits hardiness zones 6-9. Burnie Rhodo gardens. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 100 Lindera species.

PICTURES



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