PLANT FACT SHEET

Rubus macrocarpus Benth.

GENUS *Rubus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Ceylon Blackberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten fresh and used in juice and preserves as well as desserts.

DESCRIPTION

A straggling shrub. The flowers are large. The fruit are oval and 5 cm long. They are red.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in the tropical highlands. In the Andes it grows between 2,000-3,400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown by seed or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 250 Rubus species.

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