PLANT FACT SHEET

Alnus rhombifolia Nutt.

GENUS *Alnus* **FAMILY** Betulaceae

COMMON NAMES White alder

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Bark

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous tree. It grows 35 m tall and spreads 5 m wide. The stem is slender and erect. The bark is mottled and pale grey. The leaves are oval and taper. They are 10 cm long. The flowers are catkins. The male ones are 15 cm long. The fruit are oval cones 1 cm across.

HABITAT

It will grow in most moist, well-drained soils. It is best in an open sunny position. It is resistant to frost but sensitive to drought.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seed.

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