PLANT FACT SHEET

Tetracera scandens (L.) Merr.

GENUS *Tetracera* **FAMILY** Dilleniaceae

COMMON NAMES Climbing tetracera

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Stem - water, Sap, Medicine

The stem when cut gives drinking water.

DESCRIPTION

A woody vine. The leaves are very rough, alternate and pointed at both ends but longer near the tip than the base. They are toothed around the edge and the surface is rough. The flowers are rather small and white and borne on compound flower arrangements. The fruit are small and red.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. Apparently common and widely distributed from central Luzon to southern Mindanao in the Philippines in dry forests. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

PICTURES



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