PLANT FACT SHEET

Dianthus plumarius L.

GENUS *Dianthus* **FAMILY** Caryophyllaceae

COMMON NAMES Cottage pink, Laced pink

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers

The flower petals are made into butters, cordials, syrups, suaces and vinegars.

DESCRIPTION

A plant that keeps growing from year to year. It grows 40 cm high and spreads 50 cm wide. The stems are slender and have joints. The leaves are narrow and clasp the stem. They taper to the tip. The flowers are reddish-purple. They are white around the edges.

HABITAT

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

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or by cuttings.

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