PLANT FACT SHEET

Cucumis trigonus Roxb.

GENUS *Cucumis* **FAMILY** Cucurbitaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

CAUTION: The fruit can cause serious diarrhoea.
The fruit are eaten raw when ripe.
The unripe fruit is boiled and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A pumpkin family plant. It is a perennial climber. It grows from a persistent root stock. The stems are 4 sided and hairy. The leaves have 5 lobes and teeth along the edge. The fruit are berries. These are slightly triangular. They are 4 cm across and green with white stripes.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in open areas or low scrub.

NOTES

There are about 25 Cucumis species.

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