PLANT FACT SHEET

Senecio scandens Ham.

GENUS *Senecio* **FAMILY** Asteraceae

COMMON NAMES Climbing senecio

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Flowers

The flowers and young leaves are used as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It lies along the ground. It keeps growing from year to year. The stems are long and flexible and 2-5 m long. They are branched and can be hairy. The leaves are oval to narrowly triangle shaped and 3-12 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. They are wedge shaped at the base and can have deep teeth or lobes. There can be 2-6 side lobes towards the base.

HABITAT

It is a tropical and subtropical plant. It climbs in forests and near streams from sea level to 4,000 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

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