PLANT FACT SHEET

Pentapetes phoenicea Linn.

GENUS *Pentapetes* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

COMMON NAMES Midday flower

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - tea

It is used to make a herbal tea.

DESCRIPTION

A herb or small shrub. It grows 0.3-1.2 m high. The flowers are 3-4 cm wide. The flower petals are red. The fruit is a 5-valved hairy capsule. The seeds are black with white processes.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in wet places.

NOTES

Some authorities put it in the Sterculiaceae and Pentapetaceae. There is only one Pentapetes.

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