PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain

It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Jatropha dioica Sesse

GENUS *Jatropha* **FAMILY** Euphorbiaceae

COMMON NAMES Leather stem

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It grows 1 m tall. It has underground stems. The stems are spreading. The leaves are narrow and spoon shaped or oval. They are 2-5 cm long by 0.2-0.7 cm wide. They can have 3 lobes at the base. The fruit capsule is 1.2-1.4 cm long by 1.1-1.3 cm wide. The seeds are round and 1.2 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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