PLANT FACT SHEET

Cotoneaster acutifolius Turczaninow

GENUS *Cotoneaster* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Grey cotoneaster

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - tea, Fruit - tea

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It loses its leaves during the year. It grows 4 m high. The branches are slender and spreading. The plant is hairy. The leaves are narrowly oval or rounded. They are 2-5 cm long by 1-4 cm wide. The base is broadly wedge shaped. They are dull green above and paler underneath. The flowers are pink. They occur as 2-5 together at the ends of the plant on the current year's growth. The fruit is oval and 7-9 mm long and purple-black at maturity.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in northern China. It grows on hillsides between 1,000-3,700 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

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