PLANT FACT SHEET

Poisonous

This plant, or parts of it, can be poisonous. Do not eat it unless you know which parts are safe and how they must be prepared.

Tabernaemontana divaricata (L.) R. Br. ex Roem. & Schult.

GENUS *Tabernaemontana* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Crape jasmine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are fried with pig meat.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows up to 5 m tall. The stems are thin and crooked. The stems have milky sap when broken. The leaves are large, shiny and dark green. They are 15 cm long and 5 cm wide. The flowers are waxy and have 5 petals arranged like pin wheels. The fruit is a narrowly oval and oblique follicle. It is 2-7 cm long by 1-2 cm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows between 100-1,600 m above sea level. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds and cuttings.

NOTES

Probably in a hot house in Slovenia. It contains many alkaloids.

PICTURES



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