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.

Food Plants International: Caution; Toxic

Wikstroemia indica (L.) C. A. Mey.

GENUS *Wikstroemia* **FAMILY** Thymelaeaceae

COMMON NAMES Tiebush

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Medicine

CAUTION: Many Wikstroema are poisonous. The fruit are poisonous.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 1.5 m high and spreads 0.9 m wide. The leaves are oval and 6 cm long. The flowers are white, cream or greenish and in heads at the ends of the branches. The fruit are red to dark purple and 7-8 mm across.

POISONOUS.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forests and on rocky slopes below 1,500 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 9-12. In XTBG Yunnan. In Sichuan.

NOTES

There are about 70 Wikstroema species. It has anticancer properties.

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