PLANT FACT SHEET

Ampelocissus divaricata (Wallich ex Lawson) Planchon

GENUS *Ampelocissus* **FAMILY** Vitaceae

COMMON NAMES Pureni

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A trailing herb. The leaves have leaf stalks. The leaves are divided into 3 like fingers on a hand. The leaflets are oval with the side ones cup shape and with toothed edges. The flowers are purple. The fruit are black and round.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Nepal plants grow between 300 and 1700 m altitude. They grow in open, moist places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

NOTES

There are about 95 Ampelocissus species.

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