PLANT FACT SHEET

Gentianella campestris (L.) Borner

GENUS *Gentianella* **FAMILY** Gentianaceae

COMMON NAMES Field gentian

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - flavouring

It is used as a flavouring for bitter liqueurs and as a substitute for hops.

DESCRIPTION

A small herb that takes 2 years to complete its lifecycle. It grows 3-30 cm tall. The leaves are opposite and oval. The flowers are 2-3 cm in size. They are bluish-purple.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It has been recorded in the alps between 1,000-2,300 m above sea level.

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