PLANT FACT SHEET

Crataegus succulenta Schrad. ex Link

GENUS *Crataegus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Fleshy hawthorn, Long-spine hawthorn, Succulent hawthorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are used for jelly.
They can be pressed into cakes and dried for later use.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It can be a tree with several stems. It grows to 6-8 m high. It has dark twigs and thorns. The leaves are 3-8 cm long. They have shallow lobes. There are small, sharp teeth. The leaf stalks have grooves above and wings. The thorns are stout and up to 8 cm long. They are black and glossy. The flowers are white. The fruit are glossy and red. They are 6-8 mm across.

HABITAT

Temperate. It suits hardiness zones 4-9. It can grow in a range of soil types and with various pH values. It can tolerate very wet soils as well as drought. It can grow in poor rocky dry soils. It is cold hardy.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. The seed need cold treatment. Plants can also be grafted.

NOTES

There are 200 or more Crataegus species.

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