PLANT FACT SHEET

Jasminum grandiflorum L.

GENUS *Jasminum* **FAMILY** Oleaceae

COMMON NAMES White fragrant flower, Spanish jasmine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Spice, Flowers, Flavouring

The flowers are used to scent tea.
The dried leaves are used to scent Chinese tea leaf.

DESCRIPTION

A vigorous plant. It is a scrambling plant. The leaves are opposite and are compound. They have an odd number of leaflets along the stalk. There are usually about 7 leaflets and they are broadly oval. They are 1-3 cm long by 3-12 mm wide. They only have very short leaf stalks. The flowers can be 4 cm across. They can have pink on the outside. They occur in groups at the ends of branches.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It grows well in sunny dry locations. It needs a temperature above 7°C. In Pakistan it grows between 500-1,500 m altitude. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by semi-ripe cuttings.

NOTES

There are between 200 and 500 Jasminum species. It is the national flower of Pakistan.

PICTURES

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