PLANT FACT SHEET

Tetrastigma obovatum Gagnep.

GENUS *Tetrastigma* **FAMILY** Vitaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The fruit are eaten raw.
The leaves are used to give a sour taste.

DESCRIPTION

A vine. It is a woody creeper. The stems are slightly flat and have ridges along them. They are hairy. The leaves have 5 leaflets arranged like fingers on a hand. They are hairy underneath. The side leaflets are narrowly oval and 7-20 cm long by 4-10 cm wide. There are teeth along the edge. The fruit is a round orange berry. It is 2-3 cm across. There are 2 or 3 seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows on the edges of forests and in valleys between 200-1,900 m above sea level in southern China. It grows in Yunnan in China.

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