PLANT FACT SHEET

Viola collina Besser

GENUS *Viola* **FAMILY** Violaceae

COMMON NAMES Hairy fruit, Ball-fruited violet

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The whole young plant is eaten as a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A herb without a stem. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 3-8 cm high. It has a stout rootstock. It is 2-7 cm long. The leaves come from the root. They are broadly oval and 1-4 cm long by 1-3 cm wide. The flowers are small and white or violet.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In China it grows in shady and moist places below 2,800 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 500 Viola species.

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