PLANT FACT SHEET

Salix gracilistyla Miq.

GENUS *Salix* **FAMILY** Salicaceae

COMMON NAMES Rosegold pussy willow, Japanese pussy willow, Neko-yanagi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: bark, Leaves, Leaves - tea

The young leaves and flowers are parboiled and eaten as a vegetable.
The leaves are used as a substitute for tea.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 3-4.5 m high and spreads 3-4.5 m wide. The leaves are oblong and 10 cm long. The flower catkins appear before the leaves. The male catkins are red and later orange, then yellow. The female catkins are silky grey.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It suits hardiness zones 6-10.

NOTES

There are about 300 Salix species.

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