PLANT FACT SHEET

Vincetoxicum dalzellii Kuntze

GENUS *Vincetoxicum* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Dalzell ipecac

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves

The unripe fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A twining plant. It keeps growing from year to year. The young stems are branched and hairy. They have a milky white sap. The leaves are simple and opposite. They are oval or oblong. They are 5-10 cm long by 3-6 cm wide. They can have a sharp tip. The flowers are small and reddish brown. They occur as many flowers together on branched stalks. The fruit are follicles 7-10 cm long and narrow. They have fine lines along them. The seeds are 8 mm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in scrub forest and at the edges of forests and in deciduous forests.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In India it flowers and fruits March to April.

NOTES

There are over 75 Tylophora species.

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