PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Rosa woodsii* Lindley

**GENUS** *Rosa* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Wood's Rose, Prairie rose, Prickly rose, Western wild rose

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Flowers, Fruit, Stem

The fruit are eaten raw. They are also pureed and made into syrup or jelly. They are dried and used in soups and teas.

## DESCRIPTION

A stiff shrub. It grows 0.9-2 m high and spreads 1.5 m wide. The stems are purplish brown when young. They are very prickly. They are smooth between the thorns. The leaves usually have 7-9 leaflets. The leaves colour in the autumn. The flowers are single and pink. They are in small clusters.

## HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows on dry grassy slopes and river banks in the Rocky Mountains in Canada. It suits hardiness zones 4-10. Arboretum Tasmania. Melbourne Botanical gardens.

## NOTES

There are about 150 Rosa species and many cultivated varieties.

## PICTURES



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