PLANT FACT SHEET

Abobra tenuifolia (Hook. & Arn.) Cogn.

GENUS *Abobra* **FAMILY** Cucurbitaceae

COMMON NAMES Cranberry gourd

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A pumpkin family plant. It is a climber which can be 3.5 m long. It attaches by means of tendrils. The leaves are divided into narrow segments. The flowers are greenish white and with a strong scent. The fruit are egg shaped and 12 mm long. Plants have a fleshy root and they can re-grow from this root. Plants are separately male and female.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows between sea level and 500 m above sea level in Argentina. It is damaged by frost.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed and can be transplanted. Both male and female plants are needed.

NOTES

There is only one Abroba species.

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