PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain

It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Clerodendrum cyrtophyllum Turcz.

GENUS *Clerodendrum* **FAMILY** Lamiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Vegetable, Fruit

The leaves are used as a vegetable. They have a slightly bitter taste and are fried with eggs.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1.5 m tall. The branches are green and hairy when young. The leaves are opposite and sword shaped. They are 6-15 cm long by 3-6 cm wide. They taper to the tip and sometimes also to the base. The veins are prominent underneath. The leaf stalk is hairy and 2-6 cm long. The flowers are white or red. The fruit are fleshy and 6 mm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Vietnam it grows in mountain regions. In southern China it grows between 500-1,700 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 400 Clerodendrum species.

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