PLANT FACT SHEET

Alnus incana subsp. tenuifolia (Nutt.) Breitung

GENUS *Alnus* **FAMILY** Betulaceae

COMMON NAMES Mountain alder

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Wood - flavour

The wood is used to smoke fish to impart a flavour.

DESCRIPTION

A tree that loses its leaves. It grows 9 m high and spreads 4 m wide. The stem is slender, erect and branching. The leaves are oval and taper. They are green and have fine teeth along the edge. The flowers are long slender catkins.

HABITAT

It will grow in most moist soils. It is best in an open sunny position. It is resistant to frost but sensitive to drought.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

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