PLANT FACT SHEET

Poisonous

This plant, or parts of it, can be poisonous. Do not eat it unless you know which parts are safe and how they must be prepared.

Datura metel Linn.

GENUS *Datura* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Warty Thornapple, Angel's Trumpet, Horn-of-plenty

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - drink

CAUTION: IT IS POISONOUS.
The seeds are very poisonous.
The active poisonous alkaloids are atropine, hyoscyamine and hyoscine.
The leaves and roots have been used to make an alcoholic drink. They are bruised and mixed with water to ferment. Caution: Alcohol is a cause of cancer.

DESCRIPTION

A herb or short lived shrub. The leaves are large and oval. They have irregular edges. The flowers are long and trumpet shaped. They are light yellow or white. The fruit are rounded and have short thorns. POISONOUS.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In XTBG Yunnan.

NOTES

There are 10 Datura species.

PICTURES



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