PLANT FACT SHEET

Schinus polygama (Cav.) Cabrera

GENUS *Schinus* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Chilean pepper

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Spice

The fruit are used as flavouring.
The fruit are used to make wine.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub. It grows 3-4 m tall. The crown is low and round. The trunk is 15-25 cm across. It branches low down.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate to tropical plant. In Chile it grows from sea level to 2,000 m above sea level. It can grow in drier areas and arid areas. It is best in full sun. It can tolerate light frost but not snow. In Argentina it grows from sea level to 3,200 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zone 9. Geelong Botanical Gardens.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds. Seeds germinate in 20-30 days. It can also be grown from cuttings.

PICTURES



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