PLANT FACT SHEET

Celastrus kusanoi Hayata

GENUS *Celastrus* **FAMILY** Celastraceae

COMMON NAMES Southern snake vine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub that lies along the ground. It loses its leaves during the year. The young branches are hairy. The leaves are alternate and narrowly oval. They are 7-10 cm long by 5-11 cm wide. There are fine teeth. Male and female flowers are on separate plants. The flowers are yellowish-green. There are 3-9 in the axils of leaves. They are small round capsules 5-10 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in mountain forests between 300-2,500 m above sea level.

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