PLANT FACT SHEET

Gentiana leucomelaena Maxim.

GENUS *Gentiana* **FAMILY** Gentianaceae

COMMON NAMES Sakir

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are cooked and eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb that grows each year from seed. It grows 2-10 cm tall. The stems can lie along the ground. The leaves at the base wither early. These leaves are oval and 5-8 mm long by 2-3 mm wide. There are 3-5 pairs of leaves on the stem. They are oval and 3-9 mm logn by 1-2 mm wide. There are a few flowers. They are blue or white.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows along streams and in damp and alpine meadows between 1,900-5,000 m above sea level in China. In Sichuan.

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