PLANT FACT SHEET

Solanum violaceum Ortega

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Puthrisunda, Turkey berry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Vegetable

The unripe fruit are cooked and used as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb or small shrub. It can grow 2 m tall. It has many branches. It is softly hairy. It has pale yellow prickles that curve backwards. The leaves are in unequal pairs. The leaves are 5-8 cm long by 4-7 cm wide. The leaf stalk can be 3 cm long. The leaf blades are divided into round lobes. The fruit are shiny orange berries. They can be 1.3 cm across.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In southern China it grows between 100-2,700 m above sea level. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

It flowers and fruits throughout the year.

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