PLANT FACT SHEET

Hibiscus mechowii Garcke

GENUS *Hibiscus* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Vegetable, Leaves, Flowers

DESCRIPTION

A shrubby plant. It grows 2 m high. The young stems have sparse prickles. The leaf blade is 15 cm long and wide. It is almost round. It is wedge shaped at the base. It has lobes 12 cm long and 2 cm wide. There are teeth along the edge. The flowers are 5-6 cm across. They are yellow with red centres. They occur singly in the axils of leaves. The fruit is a capsule 35 mm long by 25 mm wide. The seeds are 3.5 mm long by 2 mm wide. They are kidney shaped.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are about 220 Hibiscus species.

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