PLANT FACT SHEET

Potentilla indica (Andrews) Wolf

GENUS *Potentilla* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Indian strawberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit can be eaten raw. They are watery and with little flavour.

DESCRIPTION

A creeping herb. The leaves have stalks. They are alternate. There are leafy structures at the base of the leaf stalk. The leaves have 3 leaflets. The leaflets do not have stalks. They are 1-2.5 cm long by 1-1.8 cm wide. They have teeth and are hairy. The middle leaflet is larger than the others. The flowers have stalks. The flowers are yellow and occur singly. The fruit is round, red and succulent.

See Duchesnia indica - both names still seem to be being used.

HABITAT

A tropical and subtropical plant. In Nepal they grow between 500-2600 m altitude. They grow in moist places.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds.

NOTES

There are about 500 Potentilla species.

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