PLANT FACT SHEET

Embelia scandens (Lour.) Mez

GENUS *Embelia* **FAMILY** Primulaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Stems

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It lies along the ground. It can be 6-15 m long. The leaves are 5-9 cm long by 3-4 cm wide. The flowers are in the axils of the leaves. They are white or greenish. The fruit are round and red and 5 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It southern China it grows in mixed forests between 200-900 m above sea level. It grows in Yunnan in China.

NOTES

Also put in the family Myrsinaceae.

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