PLANT FACT SHEET

Oxalis purpurea L.

GENUS *Oxalis* **FAMILY** Oxalidaceae

COMMON NAMES Largeflower woodsorrel

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves - flavour, Tubers, Root

The leaves are used to flavour food.
The peeled tubers are cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It forms a bulb. It grows 10-15 cm high and spreads 10-15 cm wide. There are 3 rounded leaflets. The flowers are red, pink or white.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It can grow in full sun or part shade. It is damaged by frost. It suits hardiness zones 9-10.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from the underground bulbs.

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