PLANT FACT SHEET

Akebia longeracemosa Matsumura

GENUS *Akebia* **FAMILY** Lardizabalaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A vine or woody climber. The leaves have 5 leaflets. The leaf stalk is long. The leaflets are broadly oval and have a sharp tip. The male and female flowers are separate. Male flowers are in large groups and female flowers are few. The fruit occur singly or in pairs. They are oblong and reddish-purple when mature. They are 6-7 cm long by 2 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In southern China it grows on mountain slopes between 300-1,600 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In southern China plants flower in March and April and fruit in August.

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