PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Vicia venosa* (Willd. ex Link) Maxim.

**GENUS** *Vicia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Leaves

## DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. The stems are erect and it grows 40-80 cm tall. The leaves have leaflets in pairs along the stalk. There are 2-6 pairs of leaflets. These are narrowly sword shaped and 40-65 mm long by 3-13 mm wide. There are 4-9 flowers in a group. They are red, purple or blue. The pod is oblong and flat and 25-33 mm long. There are 3-6 seeds.

## HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In north China it grows between 600-1,800 m above sea level.

## NOTES

There are about 140 Vicia species. They are mostly temperate.

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