PLANT FACT SHEET

Lantana indica Roxb.

GENUS *Lantana* **FAMILY** Verbenaceae

COMMON NAMES Mysore lantana

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A small shrub. It is erect and branched. It grows 1-2.5 m tall. The leaves are opposite or can be in rings of 3. They are oval and 3-6 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. There are rounded teeth along the edge. They are softly hairy underneath. The flowers are in short spikes 2-3 cm long. The flowers are white or pink and 3-5 mm across. The fruit is fleshy and 3-5 mm across. They are purple. They have a 2-celled stone with one seed in each.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in forest.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

Harvesting and Seed Production

In India fruit are available November to January.

NOTES

There are about 150 Lantana species. They come from tropical and subtropical America.

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