PLANT FACT SHEET

Rubus setchuenensis Bureau et Franchet

GENUS *Rubus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Sichuan blackberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten fresh.

DESCRIPTION

A straggling shrub. It loses its leaves during the year. It grows 2-5 m high. They have soft fine hairs and no prickles. The leaves are simple and almost round. They are 6-17 cm long by 7-16 cm wide. There are 5 or 7 loves. The lobes are rounded. They have irregular teeth. They have a greyish covering underneath. The flowers are purple. They are in groups in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. The fruit is round and small. It is 6-8 mm across and black.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. It is native to central and western China. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can form dense, impenetrable thickets.

Harvesting and Seed Production

In southern China plants flower in July to August and fruit in September to October.

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