PLANT FACT SHEET

Gaultheria brevistipes (C.Y. Wu & T. Z. Hsu) R. C. Fang

GENUS *Gaultheria* **FAMILY** Ericaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A stout erect shrub up to 2 m tall. It often hangs down from rock crevices. The stems are flexible and triangle shaped or winged. The small branches are red. The leaves are oblong. There are 16-22 flowers in a group. They are hairy and hang down. The flowers are 12-14 mm long. The fruits are round and hang like a bunch of grapes. They are edible.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In the Himalayas fruit are available in December.

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