PLANT FACT SHEET

Edibility uncertain

It has not been confirmed that this plant is safe to eat. Do not eat it on the strength of this fact sheet alone.

Physalis volubilis Waterf.

GENUS *Physalis* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It tends to grow all year. It grows 80 cm tall. The leaves are alternate and heart shaped. They are 1-5 cm long by 1-4.5 cm wide. The flowering shoots are 3.5-8.5 cm long. The fruiting ring of the flower is 5 angled. The fruit are berries 0.8-1.2 cm wide. The seeds are yellow.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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