PLANT FACT SHEET

Fuchsia paniculata Lindley

GENUS *Fuchsia* **FAMILY** Onagraceae

COMMON NAMES Achiotillo

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

It is like Fuchsia magellanica. A shrub or small tree. It can be 8 m high. The leaves have teeth along the edge. They are opposite with 3-4 at each node. The flowers are at the ends of branches. The flowers are pink and very small. They are massed in large panicles. The fruit are round berries. They are deep purplish red. They are 9 mm long by 7 mm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in evergreen cloud forest. It grows between 1.200-3,000 m above sea level. It is best in a fertile, well-drained soil.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seeds or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 100 Fuchsia species.

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