PLANT FACT SHEET

Quercus edulis Makino

GENUS *Quercus* **FAMILY** Fagaceae

COMMON NAMES Edible acorn

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Acorn, Nut

The kernels removed from the dried husks are ground into flour. They may be boiled or roasted and also used in soups.
Acorns yield an edible oil like olive oil.

DESCRIPTION

A small evergreen tree. It grows 5-7 m tall. The leaves are dark green and laurel like. The acorns are long and slender.

HABITAT

It is a Mediterranean climate plant. It is a hardy tree. It will grow on most soils.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed. These should preferebly be planted where they are to grow.

NOTES

There are about 600 Quercus species.

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