PLANT FACT SHEET

Viola acuminata Ledeb.

GENUS *Viola* **FAMILY** Violaceae

COMMON NAMES Chicken leg violet

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers, Leaves

The young leaves are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

An erect herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 15-40 cm high. The rootstock is stout. There are 2-6 erect stems. These emerge in the spring. The leaves are oval or heart shaped and 4-6 cm long by 3-4 cm wide. There are rounded teeth along the edge. The flowers occur singly and are white or light purple. They are on slender stalks 4-6 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a temperate climate plant. It grows in northeastern China. It grows in moist grassland in valleys near streams between 400-2,500 m above sea level. In Sichuan.

NOTES

There are about 500 Viola species.

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