PLANT FACT SHEET

Prunus cerasus var. humilis Bean

GENUS *Prunus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Tien-Shan cherry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1.6 m high. The bark on the annual shoots is pale yellowish grey. It is dark on older shoots. The leaves are narrowly sword shaped. They are 3 cm long by 0.9 cm wide. The flowers are pink. There are 4-6 in a cluster on spurs. The fruit is fleshy with a stone inside. It is dark red and 7-9 mm across. The fruit are edible.

HABITAT

In Kazakhstan it grows on stony ground between 800-1,000 m altitude.

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