PLANT FACT SHEET

Osmanthus fragrans var. aurantiacus Makino

GENUS *Osmanthus* **FAMILY** Oleaceae

COMMON NAMES Sweet osmanthus, Sweet olive

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers - flavouring

The flowers are used to give scent to Chinese Chulan tea.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows 3-12 m tall. The leaves are 7-15 cm long by 3-5 cm wide. There can be fine teeth along the edge. The flowers are small and white, yellow or orange and 1 cm long. The fruit is black and juicy and 10-15 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

NOTES

There are over 40 Olea species.

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