PLANT FACT SHEET

Meconopsis aculeata Royle

GENUS *Meconopsis* **FAMILY** Papaveraceae

COMMON NAMES Blue poppy

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A prickly herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 30-75 cm tall. It has a long tapering rootstock. The leaves near the base are 10-20 cm long by 3-4 cm wide. They are deeply divided. The higher leaves have segments that vary in shape and 1-3 cm long by 3-10 mm wide. The flowers are 5-7 cm wide. The flowers are blue.

HABITAT

It grows between 2440-4270 m altitude in the Himalayas. It grows amongst rocks and near streams.

NOTES

There are 48 Meconopsis species. Sometimes these are included in the Papaver genus.

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