PLANT FACT SHEET

Hibiscus micranthus Linn. f.

GENUS *Hibiscus* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves, Seeds, Vegetable

The green capsules are edible raw.

DESCRIPTION

An annual herb or shrub. It grows 70-300 cm tall. It can keep growing for a few years. The branches are straight. The stems are hairy. The leaf stalk is 5-20 mm long. The leaf blade is 20-45 mm long by 15-40 mm wide. The flowers are 1 cm across and white, pink or purple. They occur singly in the axils of leaves.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in hot arid areas with a marked dry season. It grows in well-drained rocky and sandy soils. It grows between 70-2,900 m above sea level. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are about 220 Hibiscus species.

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