PLANT FACT SHEET

Use with caution

This plant can be harmful if it is eaten raw, in large amounts or without the right preparation. Read the whole fact sheet before use.

Derris trifoliata Lour.

GENUS *Derris* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Threeleaf derris

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A climber. It is a woody vine. They can be 4 cm across. The leaves are compound and usually have 3-7 leaflets. The leaflets are narrowly oval and 6-15 cm long by 3-8 cm wide. The flowering shoots are 7-10 cm long. The flowers are white to pink. They are 13 mm across. The fruit are flat and 4-5 cm long by 2-3 cm wide. They usually only have one seed. The seed is kidney shaped and 25 mm long by 18 mm wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in brackish water near rivers. It occurs in the Western Ghats in India.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 80 Derris species.

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