PLANT FACT SHEET

Celtis caucasica Willd.

GENUS *Celtis* **FAMILY** Cannabaceae

COMMON NAMES Caucasian hackberry

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten raw.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It loses its leaves during the year. It grow 15 m high. The branches are slender and hang downwards. The young shoots are hairy. The leaves are 4-10 cm long by 2-5 cm wide. The base is unequal and it tapers to the tip. The flowers are small and pale green. The fruit is fleshy and 7 mm across. They are reddish-brown.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant.

NOTES

There are 70-100 Celtis species. They are mostly in the tropics. There are 8-10 species in tropical America. Also put in the family Ulmaceae.

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