PLANT FACT SHEET

Potentilla chinensis Seringe

GENUS *Potentilla* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Chinese cinquefoil, Chinese silverweed

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The shoots and leaves are eaten as a potherb.
They are also used for a tea drink.
The roots are used in brewing.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. The roots are robust. They are slightly woody. The flowering stem are erect or curve upwards. They are 20-70 cm tall. The leaves near the roots have 5-15 pairs of leaflets. The leaves on the stem have fewer leaflets. The flowers are 8-10 mm across.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in meadows and mountain slopes in N China between 400-3200 m altitude. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 500 Potentilla species.

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