PLANT FACT SHEET

Rubus saxatilis L.

GENUS *Rubus* **FAMILY** Rosaceae

COMMON NAMES Stone bramble, Greenland Thornless Blackberry, Roebuck berry, Stone berry, Urgesutu gandagari

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Leaves - tea

The fruit are eaten with sugar. They are used to make a hot drink.
They are also fermented. They are also used for jam and juice.
The leaves are used for a tea drink.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 10-15 cm high. The canes can be 40-100 cm long and the fruiting canes extend upwards. The stems have hairs and thorns. The leaves are compound with 3 leaflets. The leaf stalks are long. There are thin thorns under the leaf. There are 3-10 white flowers in groups. The fruit are red berries. They are 5 mm across.

HABITAT

It grows in Arctic and temperate places. In Kazakhstan it grows on stony mountain slopes. In northern China it grows below 3,000 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 250 Rubus species.

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