PLANT FACT SHEET

Neptunia plena (L.) Benth.

GENUS *Neptunia* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

COMMON NAMES Thai watercress, Thai mimosa

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It can partly grow in water. The stems are erect and branching. The leaves have 4-10 pairs of pinnae with 9-40 leaflets on each. These are 4-18 mm long by 2-3 mm wide. The pods are oblong and 5-10 cm long by 2 cm wide. There are 5-20 seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows well in warm, nutrient-rich mud. In southern China it grows from sea level to 100 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown from seed. The tough seed coating needs to be broken.

NOTES

Also as Mimosaceae.

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