PLANT FACT SHEET

Lonicera caprifolium L.

GENUS *Lonicera* **FAMILY** Caprifoliaceae

COMMON NAMES Italian honeysuckle

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Flowers, Shoots

CAUTION: The fruit may be poisonous.
The flowers are eaten as a snack.
The young shoots are eaten in salads.

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous climber. It grows 4.5-6 m long. It can be grown as a ground cover. The leaves are in fused pairs 5-10 cm long. The flowers are creamy-white to yellow. They can have pink tints. The flowers are 5 cm long. They are cupped by the blue-green uppermost leaves. The fruit are orange-red berries.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It is frost hardy. It suits hardiness zones 5-9.

NOTES

There are about 150 Lonicera species. It has become an aggressive weed throughout the Americas.

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