PLANT FACT SHEET

Solanum lasiocarpum Dunal

GENUS *Solanum* **FAMILY** Solanaceae

COMMON NAMES Indian nightshade

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The young fruit are cooked and eaten with fish. They are also eaten in salads.

DESCRIPTION

A small prickly herb. It grows up to 1 m high. The leaves are rough and thorny. They are also hairy. They are 16-17 cm long by 15-16 cm wide. There are lobes around the edges. The flowers are in groups on the sides. They have 5 white petals. The fruit are round and green. They are 2-4 cm across. They are covered with fine hairs. They have many seeds.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in humid places and dense forests between 200-1,000 m above sea level in southern China. In Yunnan.

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