PLANT FACT SHEET

Hibiscus lunariifolius Willd.

GENUS *Hibiscus* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Flowers, Seeds, Vegetable

The seeds are eaten in soups. The unripe fruit are eaten.
The leaves are used in savoury preparations.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It grows 1 m tall. The leaf blade is 10 cm long by 9 cm wide. It is oval and can have 3 lobes. The flowers are large and yellow with a purple centre. They are 3-5 cm across. The leaves and stems have stinging hairs. The fruit is a capsule 15 mm long by 12 mm wide. The seeds are 2.5 mm long and wide.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows on hillsides and in rocky places. It can grow in arid places.

NOTES

There are about 220 Hibiscus species.

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