PLANT FACT SHEET

Pinus pumila (Pall.) Regel

GENUS *Pinus* **FAMILY** Pinaceae

COMMON NAMES Dwarf Siberian pine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

DESCRIPTION

A shrub or small tree. It grows to 6 m tall. It has creeping branches to 10 m long. The bark is grey-brown and flaking. The small branches start brown but become reddish brown in the second and third year. They are densely hairy. There are 5 needles per bundle. They are 4-6 cm long by about 1 mm thick and stiff. The seed cones are erect. They mature to pale purple or red-brown. They are 3-4.5 cm long by 2.5-3 cm wide. The seeds are dark brown and triangle shaped. They are 7-10 mm long by 5-7 mm wide. They do not have wings.

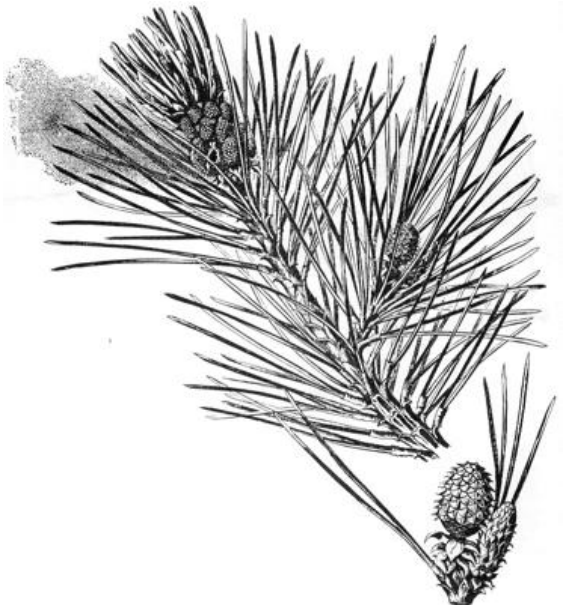
HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in the mountains between 1000-2300 m altitude in N China. It suits hardiness zones 5-9. In XTBG Yunnan.

NOTES

There are over 100 species of Pinus.

PICTURES



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