PLANT FACT SHEET

Hemsleya macrosperma C. Y. Wu

GENUS *Hemsleya* **FAMILY** Cucurbitaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are used as a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A pumpkin family plant with an enlarged tuber. The stems and branches are slender. The tendrils are 6-10 cm long. The leaves have 5-7 leaflets. The leaf stalk is 4-5 cm long. The leaflets are sword shaped with rounded teeth. The leaflets are 4-9 cm long by 1.5-3 cm wide. The fruit are oval and 3.5-5 cm across. The seeds are dark brown and oval. They are 9-11 mm long by 8-9 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Yunnan.

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