PLANT FACT SHEET

Oxalis obliquifolia Steud. ex A.Rich.

GENUS *Oxalis* **FAMILY** Oxalidaceae

COMMON NAMES Oblique-leaved sorrel, One-flower sorrel

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are eaten as a snack and cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. The bulb is about 1 cm long. There are several leaves. They are up to 7 cm long. The leaflets are roundish. They are about 1 cm across. The flowers occur singly on stalks slightly longer than the leaves. The flowers are bright pink. The petals are 2 cm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. In Swaziland it is in the high veld only. In Zimbabwe it grows above 1,000 m above sea level. It grows in the savannah.

NOTES

There are about 500 Oxalis species.

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