PLANT FACT SHEET

Tropaeolum pentaphyllum Lam.

GENUS *Tropaeolum* **FAMILY** Tropaeolaceae

COMMON NAMES Five-leaved nasturtium

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Fruit, Spice, Tuber, Flowers

DESCRIPTION

A climber with tuberous roots. It keeps growing from year to year. It can grow 6 m high and spread 6 m wide. The leaves are small and have 5 lobes. The leaf stalks are purple. The flowers are red and tube shaped. They occur in groups. They hang down. The fruit has 3 lobes and is a black juicy berry. It is edible.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate plant. It will grow in most soils and positions. It is resistant to drought and frost. In Argentina it grows below 700 m above sea level. It suits hardiness zones 8-11.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown by seed.

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