PLANT FACT SHEET

Mimulus tenellus Bouge

GENUS *Mimulus* **FAMILY** Phrymaceae

COMMON NAMES Eastern Asian monkey flower

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leafy shoots are used as a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A creeping herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 40 cm high. The branches are 4 angled. The leaves are opposite and oval or triangle shaped. They are 1-2 cm long by 8-15 mm wide. There are teeth towards the end. The flowers are yellow and occur singly. They are in the axils of leaves. The fruit is a capsule 3-4 mm long. The seeds are small.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in north-western China. It grows along ditches between 570-1,200 m altitude. It grows beside water . In Sichuan and Yunnan.

NOTES

It has also been put in the family Scrophulariaceae.

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