PLANT FACT SHEET

Viburnum trilobum Marshall

GENUS *Viburnum* **FAMILY** Viburnaceae

COMMON NAMES Highbush cranberry, American Cranberry bush, Cranberry Viburnum

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Flowers

The fruit are used in stews and for drinks. They can be used as a substitute for cranberries.
They can be used in sauce, drinks, jams, jellies and wine.
The flowers can be added to pancakes and fritters.

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. The leaves are 5-11 cm long and almost as wide. They have 3 lobes. They are maple like. The edges are smooth or have sparse teeth. The leaf stalks are 2-4 cm long and have a groove. There are several small club shaped glands where the stalk meets the leaf blade. The flowers are in flat topped clusters. These are at the ends of branches. They can be 10 cm across. The outer flowers are larger, white and sterile. The inner flowers are small and fertile. The fruit is bright red or orange. They are 8-10 mm across. They are edible.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. They prefer well drained soil. They are shade tolerant. Melbourne Botanical gardens. It suits hardiness zones 2-8.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

The plant can be grown from cuttings. They can also be grown from seeds.

NOTES

The fruit is rich in Vit C. There are about 150 Viburnum species. Also put in the family Caprifoliaceae.

PICTURES



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