PLANT FACT SHEET

Ampelocissus gardineri (F. M. Bailey) Jackes

GENUS *Ampelocissus* **FAMILY** Vitaceae

COMMON NAMES Slender grape, Bushy water vine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

DESCRIPTION

A slender vine. It is about 2 cm across. The leaves are compound and twice divided with 11 leaflets on each leaf. The leaf stalk is 7-9 cm long. The middle leaflet is 12 cm long by 3 cm wide. The side leaflet is 3 -11 cm long by 2-4 cm wide. There are rounded teeth on the edge of the leaflets. There is a tendril opposite the leaf and the flowering shoot develops from this. The flowers are 3 mm across. The fruit is round or oval and 7-10 mm long by 8-14 mm wide. The seeds are 7-9 mm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in monsoon forest between 160-620 m above sea level.

NOTES

There are about 95 Ampelocissus species.

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