PLANT FACT SHEET

Humulus scandens (Loureiro) Merrill

GENUS *Humulus* **FAMILY** Cannabaceae

COMMON NAMES Japanese hop

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Flowers

The leaves and shoots are eaten at a potherb.

DESCRIPTION

A climber. It climbs 6 m high. The stems have prickles that curve backwards. The leaves are alternate and have leaf stalks 6-14 cm long. The leaves are like fingers on a hand. They have 5-7 lobes. The leaves are 5-12 cm across. Plants are separately male and female. The male flowers are small and yellow in groups 10-17 cm long. The female flowers are in heads. The fruit is a compressed nutlet 5 mm long and across.

HABITAT

It grows in warm temperate areas. In Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is fast growing. Leaves are available year round.

NOTES

There are 2 Humulus species.

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