PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Lonicera angustifolia* Wall. ex DC.

**GENUS** *Lonicera* **FAMILY** Caprifoliaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Narrow-leafed honeysuckle

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Fruit

The ripe fruit are edible.
CAUTION: The fruit are reported to cause vomiting.

## DESCRIPTION

A straggling shrub. It grows 2 m tall. It has smooth grey bark. The bark flakes off in large papery flakes. The leaves have short stalks. They are oblong to sword shaped. The flowers are pink. They occur in pairs. They are in the axils of leaves. They have 2 large boat shaped bracts. These are 1.5-2 cm long. The flower buds and fruit are enclosed in the bracts, The fruit is round and bright red.

## HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. In Nepal the plants grown between 2600-3800 m altitude. It grows in moist, open places. It does best in full sun. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

## PRODUCTION

### Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed.

## NOTES

There are about 150 Lonicera species.

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