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Pistacia chinensis subsp. integerrima (J. Stewart.) Rech. f.

GENUS *Pistacia* **FAMILY** Anacardiaceae

COMMON NAMES Pistachio wood, East Indies mastiche

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Seeds, Nuts, Fruit

The ripe fruit are eaten raw. They are oily.

DESCRIPTION

A large deciduous tree. The bark is dark grey and very rough. The leaves are feathery and compound. There are 3-6 pairs of smooth leaflets with or without a leaflet at the end. The base of the leaflets is unequal. The tip is long and pointy. Male and female flowers are on separate trees. Male flowers are in short compact clusters and are red. Female flowers are larger and more loose. The fruit are small and in loose clusters. They are 6 mm across. They are pink at first and become wrinkled and grey-green when ripe.

HABITAT

A subtropical plant. It grows in hot, dry sub Himalayan slopes. It grows from 450-1,980 m above sea level.

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