PLANT FACT SHEET

Callianthe picta (Gillies ex Hook & Arn.) Donnell

GENUS *Callianthe* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

COMMON NAMES Japanese lantern plant, Indian mallow

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Flowers

The flowers are eaten raw or cooked.

DESCRIPTION

An evergreen shrub. It grows about 1-5 m tall. The leaves have 3-5 lobes spread out like fingers on a hand. The leaves are 5-8 cm across. There are teeth along the edge. The flowers occur singly.

HABITAT

It is a warm temperate and tropical plant. It needs a sunny position. It needs a fertile well-drained soil.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. They can be grown from cuttings of young shoots or half-ripe wood.

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