PLANT FACT SHEET

# *Astragalus hamosus* L.

**GENUS** *Astragalus* **FAMILY** Fabaceae

**COMMON NAMES** Purtuk

## EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

**Edible parts:** Seeds, Pod, Fruit

The seeds and pods are eaten fresh.

## DESCRIPTION

A medium sized annual herb. The leaflets are in 9-11 pairs. The flowers are 7-8 mm long. The hairs are T-shaped. The pods are narrow and sickle shaped. The fruit appear like worms. They are 20-50 mm long.

## HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows along roadsides and in rocky places.

## NOTES

There are 2,000 Astragalus species.

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