PLANT FACT SHEET

Grewia carpinifolia Juss.

GENUS *Grewia* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

COMMON NAMES Ntanta

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Shoots, Leaves, Fruit, flower - nectar, Flowers, Vegetable, Root

The leaves are eaten as a vegetable.
The ripe fruit are used as a dessert fruit and also as a vegetable.
The bark is cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A scrambling or climbing shrub. It can grow 6 m or more high.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows on dry soils. It grows in patches of secondary jungle in closed forest in West Africa. It can grow in arid places. It occurs in the Western Ghats in India.

PRODUCTION

Harvesting and Seed Production

In India fruit are produced July to November.

NOTES

There are about 200 Grewia species. They are mostly tropical. The fruit of most may be edible. These were in the Sparrmanniaceae and the Tiliaceae.

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