PLANT FACT SHEET

Trichosanthes costata Blume

GENUS *Trichosanthes* **FAMILY** Cucurbitaceae

COMMON NAMES Ribbed orange gourd

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Vegetable

DESCRIPTION

A pumpkin family herb. It is a climber. The stems and branches are slender. The leaves are oval to heart-shaped and 4-8 cm long by 4-8 cm wide. They have 3-5 lobes. The middle lobe is larger and the surfaces are rough. Both male and female flowers occur singly. The fruit are oval and 4-5 cm long. They have 10 ribs. The seeds are oblong and 7 mm long by 3 mm wide.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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