PLANT FACT SHEET

Ipomoea magnusiana Schinz

GENUS *Ipomoea* **FAMILY** Convolvulaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The leaves are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A climbing herb. It is a slender twiner or trailing plant. It is hairy. It forms a tuber. The leaves are divided into 5 oval leaflets. The largest is 4 cm long by 2 cm wide. The flowers occur as a few together at the end of a common stalk. The flowers are funnel shaped and 2.5 cm long by 2.5 cm across at the mouth. They are mauve.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant. In Swaziland it grows in the low veld only.

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