



PLANT FACT SHEET

Ribes sanguineum Pursh

GENUS *Ribes* FAMILY Grossulariaceae

COMMON NAMES Pink-Flowering Currant, North American Red currant

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fruit are usually eaten fresh.

They are also stewed.

They are also canned and stored for later use.

They are sometimes dried and use to flavour soups.

DESCRIPTION

A deciduous shrub. It grows 2-3 m high and 2-3 m wide. The branches are red-brown. The leaves are dark green and have 3-5 lobes. They are downy underneath. The flowers are pink or bright red and occur in sprays. These hang down. The fruit are small and black. They have a white covering over them.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It will grow in most soils. The soils need to be moist and it requires an open sunny position. It is resistant to frost but sensitive to drought. It suits hardiness zones 6-10. Tasmania Herbarium. Arboretum Tasmania.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seed. It can be grown by cuttings.

NOTES

There are about 150 *Ribes* species.

PICTURES



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