PLANT FACT SHEET

Fevillea cordifolia L.

GENUS *Fevillea* **FAMILY** Cucurbitaceae

COMMON NAMES Sequa, Antidote vine

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds - oil, Seeds

The oil from the seeds is edible.

DESCRIPTION

A pumpkin family plant. It keeps growing from year to year. It climbs by tendrils in the axils of leaves. It grows 10 m long. The stems are green and a flat cylinder shape. They have lines along them when young. The branches hang down. The tendrils can be divided and 16 cm long. The leaves are alternate and 8-16 cm long by 4-12 cm wide. They are oval or can be 8 sided. The base is heart shaped. The edges curl up. The upper surfaces are dark green and shiny and the lower surfaces are dull pale green. The flowers are yellow to pink. The fruit are a flattened round shape. They are green and 8-12 cm across. The seeds are flattened and 3-6 cm across.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows along riverbanks and at the edges of forests. It grows from sea level to 500 m above sea level.

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