PLANT FACT SHEET

Abutilon guineense (Schumach.) Baker f. & Exell

GENUS *Abutilon* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds, Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A shrub. It has a velvety covering. The leaf blade is almost round and 7 cm across. It has a blunt tip. There are short teeth along the edges. The flowers occur singly in the axils of the leaves. The flower stalk is 13 cm long. The flowers are yellow or orange. The are 5 cm across. The fruit is dry and covered with star like hairs.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. In Swaziland is grows only in the low veld. It grows in the drier warm lowlands in southern Africa below 500 m altitude. In Yunnan.

NOTES

There are about 100-160 Abutilon species.

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