



***Rubus niveus* Thunb.**

Family: Rosaceae

Common names: kala hinsalu, Aakhe



Description:

Rubus niveus is a tall, sub-erect, prickly bush having short lived stems with small spines. Leaves are trifoliate; lateral leaflets are lanceolate or ovate and are 2.9 cm long, whereas terminal leaflets are lanceolate, oblong or ovate with serrate margins. The flowers are about 1cm diameter, with five dark pink to red petals. The fruit is dark red at first and black on ripening. Seeds are numerous.

Utilization:

The fruits of the plant are excellent in taste and flavour and are, therefore, very much liked by all and made in to jams and jellies. Purple to dull blue colour dye is obtained from its fruit (Uniyal *et al.*,2009).

Part	Uses
Fruit	Jam, Jelly

References:

Uniyal S. K, Singh K. N, Jamwal P and Lal B; (2006). Traditional use of medicinal plants among the tribal communities of Chhota Bhangal, Western Himalaya. *Journal of Ethnobiology and Ethnomedicine*, 2(1), 14.