

Bearberry

Arctostaphylos uva-ursi

This small shrub forms extensive vegetation mats, but does not exceed 20 cm in height. Its small leaves are evergreen, glossy green, with veins forming a branched network. Its small reddish berries are edible, although rather floury and tasteless.

Not to confuse

The leaves of the lingonberry can be distinguished by their underside, which is studded with small rust-coloured dots. Its berries, on the other hand, are not at all floury!



Common names Bearberry

Environment

Mountain and subalpine moors, rocky outcrops

Altitude

780-2800m

Season

• june - october

Size

15 to 20 cm

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