



Apple of Sodom

Description: Apple of Sodom is a woody perennial shrub, which can grow one metre or more tall. Leaves are dark green, deeply lobed and oblong in shape. They are approximately 90mm long by 70mm wide and have spines growing along the leaf veins and down the stems. Flowers are mauve or violet and occur singularly or in clusters. They are approximately 25-35mm in diameter on stalks up to 10mm long. The berries are large, growing up to 30mm in diameter. They are mottled green and white ripening to a yellow colour. Each berry contains a large number of seeds, which are often spread by birds. The berries can be poisonous to stock and humans.

Habitats: Poor pastures and scrub margins

Flowering time: Between September and May

