

You are viewing one of thousands of biographies – click below for more, including Search box and access to Plant associated organisations.

[Plant Biographies](#)

[Bibliography](#)

Physalis philadelphica

[Synonyms : *Physalis cavalieriei*, *Physalis chenopodifolia*, *Physalis ixocarpa*, *Physalis laevigata*, *Physalis philadelphica* var. *minor*]

TOMATILLO (English, Finnish, Swedish) is a perennial (grown as an annual). Native to Mexico it has small occasionally purple throated, bright yellow flowers.

It is also known as Husk tomato, Jamberry, Jamberberry, Large-flowered tomatillo, Mexican ground cherry, Mexican husk tomato, *Mexikanische Blasenkirsche* (German), Miltomate, *Mochyně dužnoplodá* (Czech), Purple ground cherry, and Wild tomatillo.

Warning – all parts (except the ripe fruit) are poisonous and can cause gastro-entiritis.

Philadelphicus means ‘of or from Philadelphia, USA’.

In India the large red to purple berries are used to make chutney.