PLANT FACT SHEET

Rhodospatha latifolia Poeppig & Endl.

GENUS *Rhodospatha* **FAMILY** Araceae

COMMON NAMES Rhodospatha

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The young leaves are used in tamales. They are eaten as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A climbing herb. The leaves are in 2 vertical rows. They are oblong to narrowly oval. The flowering shoots occur singly. The spathe is yellowish-white and pink in the centre. The fruit is a berry. The seeds are kidney shaped and flattened.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in tropical humid forests up to 700 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or cuttings.

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