PLANT FACT SHEET

Gladiolus gregarius Welw. ex Baker

GENUS *Gladiolus* **FAMILY** Iridaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Corms, Root, Flower

The corms are starchy and eaten cooked.
The flower is cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A slender herb. It keeps growing from year to year. It grows 30-80 cm tall. The corm is fibrous. It is 2-3 cm across. There are 4-7 leaves at the base. The leaves on the stem are shorter. The flower spike has 8-20 flowers. They are green. There are overlapping flower bracts along the stem. The fruit is a narrow capsule 12-15 mm long.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in moist savannah.

NOTES

There are about 150-300 Gladiolus species.

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