PLANT FACT SHEET

Amorphophallus commutatus (Schott) Engl. in DC.

GENUS *Amorphophallus* **FAMILY** Araceae

COMMON NAMES Dragon stalk yam

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Corm, Flowers, Root, Vegetable

The leaf stalk and blade are mixed with sour plants like tamarind then used as a vegetable.
The tuber needs a lot of processing to remove toxic elements before eating.
The flowers is used as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb which forms a large tuber. The plant keeps growing from year to year. It develops flowers before it forms leaves. There is a single leaf divided into 3 parts. The mature flower has a bad smell.

HABITAT

A tropical plant.

NOTES

There are about 170-200 Amorphophallus species.

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