PLANT FACT SHEET

Dracaena aethiopica (Thunb.) Byng & Christenh.

GENUS *Dracaena* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Bowstring hemp

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Rhizome - water

DESCRIPTION

A herb without a stem. It has a ring of leaves and an underground stem or rhizome 1.2 cm thick. There are 2 leaves on each plant and these are erect or curved back.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in the desert and dry shrubland.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

It can be grown by leaf cuttings or division of suckers.

REFERENCES

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