PLANT FACT SHEET

Begonia chlorosticta Sands

GENUS *Begonia* **FAMILY** Begoniaceae

COMMON NAMES Silver-spotted begonia

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows 60 cm tall. The stems are erect and branched. The leaves are oval and unequal on opposite sides. They are 8-20 cm long by 6-11 cm wide. The base is heart shaped and they taper to the tip. There are teeth around the edge. The leaves are dark bronze green above with light green marks. They are red underneath. The leaf stalk is green with red marks. It is 11 cm long. The flowers are in groups in the axils of leaves or at the ends of branches. Male and female flowers are separate and male flowers are smaller. The fruit is an oval capsule 2 cm long.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in Kalimantan and Sarawak. It grows in mountain forests and on rocky slopes and damp cliffs up to 1,400 m above sea level.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants can be grown from seeds or cuttings.

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